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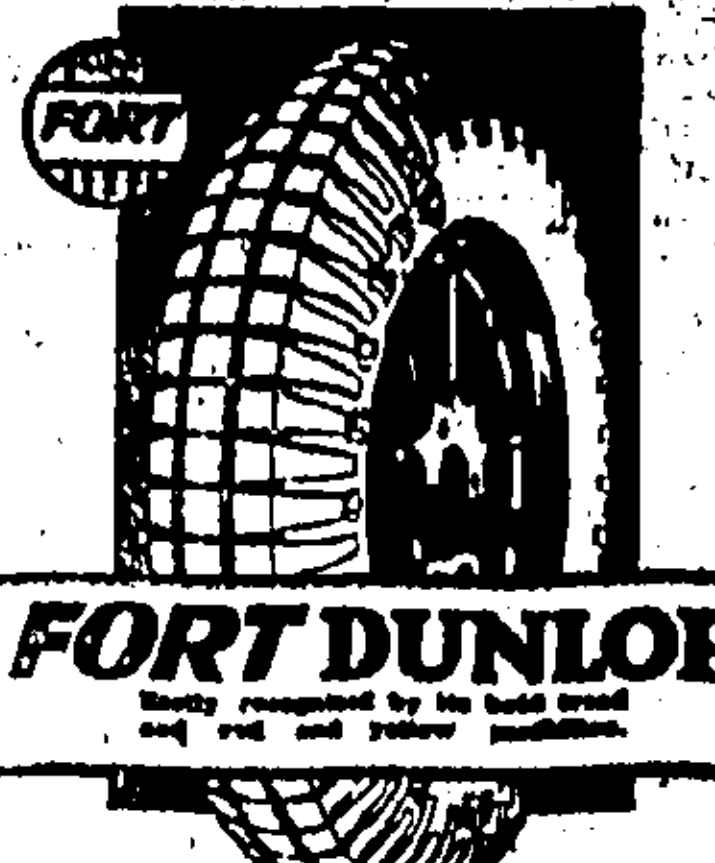
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NEW COMPANY FLOATED IN SHANGHAI.

ENORMOUS QUEUE AT BANK.

FINANCIAL CONCERN SUBSCRIPTIONS.

FOUR TIMES OVER.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Mar. 13.

The remarkable success attending the flotation of an important new concern, the Yangtze Finance Company, Limited, which yesterday offered for public subscription two hundred thousand Tls. 10 shares, is featured in this morning's newspapers.

Callers at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on the Bund yesterday wondered at the huge queue extending from one particular counter at the Bank to the entrance.

The attraction proved to be the opening of the subscription list in the above mentioned company, which has been launched under a powerful directorate, by Messrs. Benjamin and Potts, of Hongkong and Shanghai.

Heavily Over-Subscribed.

The total share subscription asked for was only Tls. 2,000,000, it is understood that the applications came to a total value of at least Tls. 8,000,000, the issue being over-subscribed four times.

The company is incorporated under the Companies Ordinance of Hongkong, a fact which undoubtedly inspires public confidence.

The company has been formed to carry on the business of an investment company in all its branches, to act as financiers, and a contract has been entered into with Mr. A. McLaren, C.A., to act as General Manager.

The Directors.

The Directors include Mr. F. R. Davey (chairman), manager of E. D. Sassoon and Company; Mr. C. E. Arnold, governing director of Arnold and Company; Mr. Maurice Benjamin, well-known Shanghai financier; Kwang-pu Chen, banker; Wing Pe-chung, manager Bank of Canton; Chun Bing-him, merchant; Mr. Ellis Haydn, of Messrs. Benjamin and Potts; Mr. W. R. McBurn; Mr. V. Meyer, President of Andersen, Meyer and Company; Mr. P. W. Massey, of Relas, Massey and Company; Mr. T. C. Weall, of Dodwell's, formerly of Hongkong; Mr. N. L. Sparks, manager Shanghai Land Investment Company; and Mr. J. R. Swan, of Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.

Initial Capital.

A hundred thousand shares are to be issued to the International Investment Trust Company of China, and two hundred thousand to the Directors and their friends, the company thus starting with a capital of Tls. 5,000,000, a total of Tls. 20,000,000 being authorised.

It is expected that the shares will appear in the quotations on the Shanghai Stock Exchange almost immediately.

GANDHI AGAIN ON TOUR.

TO MAKE SALT ON THE SEASHORE.

Bombay, Mar. 12.

A message from Borsad, in the Bombay Presidency, says that at the exact hour at which Gandhi a year ago to-day started on his famous salt march, the Mahatma left this morning, accompanied by Vallabhai Patel, on a tour of the Kaira district.

Gandhi is on his way to Dandi, where, on the shores of the Indian Ocean, he proposes once more to make salt on Saturday.—*Reuter.*

A SALARIES RUMOUR.

CIVIL SERVANTS' RESTORATION.

NO FOUNDATION.

A startling rumour to the effect that the Secretary of State for the Colonies had responded to the petition forwarded on behalf of the Hongkong Civil Service by instructing the Government to cancel the system whereby Government salaries are paid at the rate of one-half at 1/6 and one half at the current rate of exchange, was in circulation this morning.

Government circles were discussing the story freely, some of them doubtless being engaged in calculating the extent of the increase in dollar pay which would accrue.

The *Telegraph*, on making enquiries in official circles this morning, was informed that there is not the slightest foundation for the story.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary admitted that he had heard the rumour himself. He did not know

MUI TSAI LAWS IN HONGKONG.

CONSERVATIVE DOUBTS OPERATION.

THE 1929 INSTRUCTION.

London, Mar. 12.

In the House of Commons to-day at question-time, Mr. E. T. Campbell (Cons.) asked why the orders contained in the Secretary of State's despatch of August 22, 1929, instructing that steps should be taken forthwith to establish machinery for the inspection, control, and remuneration of mui tsai in Hongkong had not been carried out.

Dr. Drummond Shiels, the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, replied that Mr. Campbell was mistaken in thinking that the instructions had not been carried out.—*Reuter.*

how or where it had originated, but there was no basis for it in any shape or form.

The fact is that no reply has yet been received from the Secretary of State to the petition recently forwarded. It is anticipated that the views of Lord Passfield will be learned within a few weeks.

OPERATION ON MR. SNOWDEN.

DECISION OF EMINENT SURGEON.

London, Mar. 12.

The Harley Street surgeon, Sir John Thompson Walker, to-day made a lengthy examination of Mr. Philip Snowden, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who is suffering from cystitis, and decided to perform a minor operation on Monday next.

It was at one time feared that a major operation might have been necessary.

It is hoped that Mr. Snowden will be able to return to the House of Commons after Easter.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE PRINCESS NAMED.

CEREMONY AT PALACE THIS MORNING.

Tokyo, Mar. 13.

In accordance with ancient Court rites, the naming ceremony in connexion with the newborn Imperial child was carried out at the Palace this morning.

The infant Princess was named Atsuko Yorinomiya, which is roughly translatable as "the Princess of honesty and obedience."—*Reuter.*

MR. BALDWIN'S INDIA GESTURE.

HISTORIC ADDRESS TO COMMONS.

UNITY OF ALL PARTIES IN BRITAIN.

THE NIGGLING GRUDGING SPIRIT CONDEMNED.

ATTITUDE CLARIFIED.

MR. STANLEY BALDWIN remedied every unfortunate consequence of the so-called Conservative volte-face on India by an explanation given yesterday in the course of an historic speech defining clearly the Conservative attitude on the future constitution of India, setting out All-India Federation as the main objective, pledging an honest attempt to confront the difficulties, assuring co-operation with the other political parties, and promising an intention of carrying out that policy in no niggardly spirit.

Mention was made of communications between members of the Conservative India Committee and the hostile section of the Press, which led him to issue the recent resolution. Referring to the comments in the last forty-eight hours, Mr. Baldwin said there had been a great deal of excitement about what was really nothing. The statement was liable, he agreed, to misunderstanding, but he believed that his explanation would remove all doubts.

A warm tribute was paid to Lord Irwin. The settlement with Mr. Gandhi, said Mr. Baldwin, was such as could not have been achieved by any other Englishman. After many years of suspicion of British motives, he had bridged the gulf by his ability and strength of character. Mr. Wedgwood Benn congratulated the ex-Premier on his speech, which would undoubtedly, he said, be received with relief and delight in India.

MISUNDERSTANDINGS REMOVED.

London, Mar. 12. The galleries of the House of Commons were crowded, Lord Peel and Lord Lloyd being observed in the Peers' Gallery and a number of Indians in the Dominions' Gallery, when the important debate on India began to-night on the Civil Estimates Vote.

Mr. Winston Churchill, at the outset, sought a ruling as to the permissible scope of the debate.

The Speaker ruled that there could be a general debate on the administration of India, but future legislation could not be discussed.

Mr. Baldwin on Co-operation.

Mr. Baldwin opened the debate on behalf of the Conservatives, declaring that his Party stood exactly where it stood in his speech at Newton Abbot when he urged the co-operation of all parties, and said that the main objective was All-India Federation.

He recalled the terms of the 1917 Proclamation reminding members of his Party that it recognised that the Empire was a living organism. It was in a constant process of evolution.

The process was being speeded up and few could have foreseen the event a few years ago, to what point it would have brought the relations of the great Dominions with the Mother Country.

It could not be supposed that in this world of evolution India alone was static. He declared the Conservative Party stood exactly where it did on January 26th when the statement which has not yet been challenged was made by Lord Peel.

Honest Attempt.

He had endorsed that declaration at Newton Abbot.

What they had at present, however, was only a framework. The details had not been filled in and many of them would present serious difficulties.

Apart from a pledge of an honest attempt to confront those difficulties and thus to carry on

the work of the Conference, the Conservative Party was not committed. Everyone stood uncommitted in point of fact because it was impossible to pronounce a definite opinion until a definite plan had been submitted.

They must judge how far it was possible to achieve the Federal idea without surrendering any of the essential safeguards.

He added that despite what they might have read or heard, the party co-operation which had existed in England since the appointment of the Simon Commission had not been broken, and remained exactly where it was.

Recently, he said, there has been much excitement about nothing.

It was perfectly obvious that after the conclusion of the Conference the Government must decide the next steps for continuing its work. It was a simple matter of procedure.

One suggestion advanced for his party's consideration involved the sending of delegates to India. Himself, and the colleagues he consulted, including four who took part in the Round Table Conference, were unanimously of the opinion that it was the business of the Government of the day to take the matter in hand. He told the Government, and he now told the House, that the Conservatives were willing at all times to be consulted.

Differences of Opinion.

Everybody knew there were differences of opinion in his party on this subject. There always had been. There was a genuine anxiety as to whether at this moment delegates who had been at the London Conference were going to India. He felt it only fair to relieve them of that anxiety and acquaint them with his opinion.

When he was asked on Monday if he had any objection to an authentic statement going out after (Continued on Page 12.)

ARCHITECTS AND HOUSE IN KO SHING ST.

THREE VALUATIONS DIFFER.

WOMAN'S CLAIM AGAINST FRENCH BANK.

CASE ADJOURNED.

Architects displayed a difference of opinion as to the value of No. 6, Ko Shing Street, in the Supreme Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Wood, when the mortgage case was resumed. Both Mr. A. S. MacKichan, of Messrs. Leigh and Orange, and Lieut. Col. L. G. Bird, of Messrs. Palmer and Turner, disagreed with a valuation given by Mr. Caer Clark, saying that his figure of \$46,500 was too high.

In this action, Mrs. Chu Shuk, No. 121, Caine Road, is suing the Banque Franco-Chinoise for \$42,000, alleging that they wrongfully sold, at a gross undervalue, property No. 6, Ko Shing Street, which she mortgaged to them to provide Mr. W. M. Pittendrigh with an overdraft banking account.

Mr. Eldon Potter K.C., together with Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. D. L. Stellet, of Messrs. G. K. Hall Brutton and Company, is for plaintiff, while Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, of Messrs. Deacons, is for defendant.

Mr. MacKichan's View.

Mr. MacKichan said he estimated the value of the land at \$28 per square foot.

Mr. Jenkin.—Mr. Caer Clark gave it as his opinion that it was worth \$46 per square foot.—That figure is very high.

Have you ever heard of property in that locality being worth \$46 per square foot?—No.

Replying to his Lordship, witness said that Wing Lok Street and Bonham Strand would be worth nearer \$45, say about \$40. He explained that he would class property in those districts as being first-class Chinese business properties. He would put Ko Shing Street very much lower down.

Mr. Jenkin.—Are firewood shops to be found, as a rule, in first-class business localities?—Not as a rule.

What return, do you compute, should be obtained by the purchaser on his investment?—We take a basis of eight per cent.

Evidence has been tendered that this property is worth \$42,000. What do you say as to that?—I consider that price is too high.

Mr. Caer Clark's Valuation.

Mr. Caer Clark has put the value at \$46,500—I think that is too high.

Do you think that that high valuation could be justified in any shape or form?—I cannot see any reason for it.

Replying to his Lordship, witness said they had adopted eight per cent. for more years than he could remember. It was an old house, he added.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sheldon, witness did not agree that the value of property was necessarily the price that it would fetch, as anything might happen in an open market. He knew that the property was bought for \$42,000 by a man who had had previous dealings in property, and that the wife of Sang Leo, the building contractor, advanced \$32,000 on mortgage, prior to which her husband inspected the property.

Opinion Unaltered.

After agreeing that a man like Sang Leo should have some knowledge of the value of property, witness said the fact that he permitted his wife to advance that amount of money did not alter his opinion in the slightest degree.

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BRITISH WAR DEBT POSITION.

RECEIVING MILLION MORE THAN OUTGOING.

DOMINION PAYMENTS.

London, Mar. 12.

The position of Great Britain in regard to War Debt was outlined in the House of Commons to-day by Mr. Pethick-Lawrence, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasury, in answer to a question on the point of receipts as compared with outgoings.

Mr. Pethick-Lawrence said that the amount to be received during the financial year from Germany in the form of reparations annuities was £16,300,000, and from the Allies in respect of debts, the total was £17,700,000.

This made a total of £34,000,000 against a sum of £33,000,000 which was to be paid during the same period to the United States in respect of British war debts.

The receipts from the Dominions Governments during the same period amounted to £7,632,000, which represented the repayment of monies borrowed in England on behalf of the Dominions and could not be reckoned as a set-off against the American debt payments.—*Reuter.*

THE NEW NAVAL AGREEMENT.

SENATE MUST RATIFY 5-POWER PACT.

Washington, Mar. 12.

Several informal conferences regarding the naval agreement reached between Britain, France and Italy have been held between the Japanese Ambassador and officials of the State Department.

It is believed that the attitude of the Japanese and American Governments on the agreement is very similar.

Mr. Castle, the Assistant Secretary of State, indicated on behalf of Mr. Stimson, that the incorporation of the agreement in a new Five-Power Treaty would involve ratification by the Senate.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CUTS IN FRENCH ESTIMATES.

TO BUDGET FOR SURPLUS INSTEAD OF DEFICIT.

Paris, Mar. 12.

The Finance Committee of the Chamber has adopted amendments providing for a two per cent. reduction in the sections of the Estimates for the War Department and the Ministry of Marine dealing with "Material and Building," and also for the abolition of the reduction of tax on long-term Bourse operations which has been enforced since last April.

If Parliament votes in favour of the amendments, the Budget deficit will be transformed into a surplus of Francs 21,000,000.—*Reuter.*

SEIZURE OF YEN'S PROPERTY.

SAID TO BE WORTH MANY MILLIONS.

Tientsin, Mar. 12.

The Municipal Government and the Civil Affairs Commissioner have formed a commission to make enquiries as to the procedure to be adopted in connexion with the decision to seize all property belonging to Marshal Yen Hsi-shan in Chihli Province, including Peking and Tientsin.

The Tientsin Kuomintang controlled this morning on this question, when it was revealed that Marshal Yen had invested extensively in foreign banks, and that his property is estimated to be worth several million dollars.

FRENCH FLIERS EXPECTED THIS AFTERNOON.

RAPID GOING FROM KARACHI.

ARRIVAL AT HANOI YESTERDAY.

ARDUOUS FLIGHT.

Considerable surprise was occasioned in Hongkong this morning by the news that the French fliers, Burtin and Moench, were expected to arrive at Kai Tak at about one o'clock to-day.

The last information until this morning regarding their whereabouts was received on Wednesday from Karachi, on the extreme north-west of India, stating that they had taken off from Allahabad on the previous morning.

Very Fast Time.

Travelling day and night, they made very fast time to Hanoi, which they reached last evening.

No definite information of their departure from Hanoi for Hongkong has yet been received, but the announcement of their intentions was so specific that there was a large crowd at Kai Tak from 12.30 p.m. onwards in the hope of witnessing the arrival.

They were to have left at nine o'clock for Hongkong and the flight would in normal circumstances take about four hours.

At two o'clock, they had not put in an appearance, and it is now presumed that they have been delayed by reason of fog and freshening adverse winds.

Started 11 Days Ago.

It had been originally planned that the airmen should leave Le Bourget on February 27th, but the start was delayed and they did not set out until 3.05 p.m. on March 2nd, making for Athens, their first stop. They planned to fly day and night, in an attempt to beat the record for a flight from Paris to Tokyo.

Next news was heard of them on the 9th instant, when they reached Aleppo. The fliers were severely buffeted in crossing the Gulf of Alexandretta and were forced down, owing to a damaged propeller. This, however, was repaired and they then left for Basra.

Arrival at Hanoi.

On Tuesday last, they were reported to have left Karachi for Allahabad, at seven o'clock in the morning, and nothing was heard of them until to-day when the French Consul General here received a telegram stating that the airmen reached Hanoi last evening at 5 o'clock. The message added that they would be leaving Hanoi for Hongkong at 9 a.m. to-day, and intended remaining here until Saturday morning, when they hoped to take off for Shanghai, their next stopping-place.

During their flight, the airmen are using Castrol oil, the local agent, Messrs. Robertson, Wilson and Co., having been advised to have a supply ready for them on their arrival here.

EXCESSIVE SUEZ CANAL DUES.

SHIPMASTERS SUPPORT MERCHANT PROTEST.

London, Mar. 12.

The Council of the Mercantile Marine Service Association (the senior representative body of British shipmasters and officers) have addressed a letter to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald supporting the resolution of Manchester shipping merchants as regards the dues charged by the Suez Canal Company.—*Reuter.*

RAW STEEL CARTEL'S DECISION.

RESTRICTION OF OUTPUT TO CONTINUE.

Brussels, Mar. 12.

A meeting of the International Raw Steel Cartel at Brussels decided to continue the restriction of normal output by 10 per cent. during the next quarter of 1931.—*Reuter.*

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**LECTURE ON WAR
BOOKS.**

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ENGLISH ASSOCIATION.**

LITERARY TASTE.

Members of the English Asso-
ciation listened to a very interest-
ing address on "War Books,"
delivered in the Cathedral Hall
yesterday afternoon by Mr. A. M.
Bowes Smith.

A discussion followed, in which
further references to the subject
were made.

Sir William Hornell presided
over a large gathering.

Mr. Bowes Smith began by say-
ing that a lecture on Army lang-
uage (as he had heard it) would
scarcely be suitable in a Cathedral
Hall; and that another subject on
which he could have spoken feeling-
ly—"spit and polish"—might also
have been in order. So he had
taken the title of "War Books,"
which usually referred in these
days to the enormous output of
memoirs, histories and novels
which have appeared in the past
few years in response to a revived
public interest. "Those published
during the war and shortly after-
wards are for the most part forgot-
ten, and many of them deserve
oblivion. Prior to the Armistice,
authors were prevented from tell-
ing the truth about the war, by
censorship and by fears of being
thought pacifist. Accounts of life
in the trenches, published at that
time are so full of present-day
readers by the absence of place-
names, lack of candour and criti-
cism, and by silence on most of
those aspects of War that are
really worth recording. They
abound in artificial cheerfulness,
unreasoned optimism and patriotic
sentiments, which were what the
public wanted to hear in those
days. Many of these books must
have been difficult to write; but
the fact that great pains were put
into them does not make them
really valuable.

After the Armistice.

After the Armistice, when the
censorship was lifted, it was sud-
denly found to be easy to write
war books, and a great number of
them appeared with a rush. But
within a year or so the publishers
became wary of accepting any
more; they found that everybody
was so heartily sick of the war
that their main desire was to for-
get it. They had had enough of it
for four years, and nobody felt
any inclination to discuss the war,
much less to read about it. There
was a sudden slump. From 1921
onwards, only exceptionally talent-
ed writers and highly-placed per-
sonages engaged in writing their
memoirs could approach publishing
firms with any hope of getting
their manuscripts accepted. It
was about this time that I had the
presumption to bring forward my
own contribution to war literature.
It amounted to 200,000 words, and
of course no publisher would look
at it. However, I was so deter-
mined to see it in print that I paid
the cost of it myself! It could not
have made its appearance at a
worse time. I feel sure that most
of the critics, on looking at the
title and the 400 pages of close
print, exclaimed "What, another
War Book!" and consigned it to
the wastepaper basket. One critic,
however, was so amazed at the
appearance in 1922 of a volumi-
nous war book by a complete nonen-
tity, that he spread himself over
a page of "The Athenaeum" in
recovering from the shock. That
was H. M. Tomlinson, and one
quotation will suffice to show the
attitude towards war books in
general at that time. "So great a
volume of matter for so low a
figure" he wrote, "is less startling
than the detail that it concerns
that war which to-day is one of

the indelicate subjects forbidden
to the ears of the well-bred; the
war which should be sheltered
from nice people and left to where
it now belongs, to taverns and to
rude minds. It is hardly a fit sub-
ject for print, except that harsh
sort distasteful to the polite. Yet,
in spite of the recent advice of
gentle and wary editors and sensi-
tive bookmasters, here is a publish-
er who issues a huge book which
reveals in what is taboed."

Little did he realise that the
author had given the publisher a
substantial deposit and guaranteed
him against loss!

The Middle Twenties.

Thus we find, in the middle twen-
ties, the only successful books—
with the exception of a few out-
standing novels—were the memoirs
of generals, admirals and states-
men who felt it incumbent upon
them to explain to the world what
they did, why they did it, and how
much shorter the war would have
been if they had been given a free
hand. These books are an in-
teresting field of literature for
students of the war. With the
publication of diplomatic corres-
pondence, official documents, re-
gimental histories and the diaries
of those in high positions, we can
now study the course of any battle
or phase of the war in which we
are interested. We can learn all
about the achievements and fail-
ures of the staff, the personal
quarrels and jealousies between
various generals and statesmen,
and what was in the minds of the
enemy commanders at any given
time and place.

But serious works of this kind
only made their appeal to a com-
paratively small circle of specialist
readers; they were not meant to be
general literature, but historical
information. The war was rejected
as a theme by the authors of
general literature, except that
when portraying contemporary
life, they found it was an inevit-
able feature in their background.
Then suddenly there came a re-
vival: the Great War once more
took its place as a central theme in
all manner of books.

The Revival.

Exactly how the revival came
about, it is difficult to say. As
years went by and the war receded
more and more into the past, it
could be viewed in better perspec-
tive. Those of the war generation
realised that they had been privi-
leged to live through the biggest
event in history, an event com-
pared with which all such matters as
food taxes, test matches, murder
mysteries and crossword puzzles
were scarcely worth a moment's
attention. They felt that life
without war, or at least the image
of war, was dull, and they experi-
enced a desire to dig up that dead
past and live it over again. One
or two outstanding books came to
the fore, everyone started talking
about them, and we found our anti-
pathy towards the subject had been
only temporary.

Those of the post-war genera-
tion, too,—the children of 1914-
1918—were beginning to enquire
what it had all been about. They
heard their fathers and elder
brothers relating their experiences
and wondered whether they were
really such heroes as they seemed.
Their curiosity was aroused. They,
too, were ready to devour war
books. At the end of the twenties
the War came back into literature.

The Authors.

So much for the general public:
as for the authors who were to
cater for their taste, they may be
divided into three main categories.
First, we have the thousands of
men of all ranks who had served
in the Army, Navy or Royal Air
Force and who felt a natural urge
to transmit to posterity a pen-
picture of the war as they saw it.
Secondly, there are the authors
who wrote for propaganda, most of
them so pacifist in outlook that
they have hoped, by dwelling on
the inhumanities and brutalities of
war, to imbue the younger genera-
tion with a hatred of militarism.

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Thirdly, there are those who have, who were in the ranks and of great novel: was "The Case of
seen an opportunity for financial subalterns' narratives, he referred Sergeant Grischka." One of the
gain in the demand for really sen- to, "A Private in the Guards" (by latest English war novels was
sational books: many of them have Stephen Graham), "Tell England" by "Medal Without Bar" by Richard
been the vices rather than more Ernest Raymond—which he sur- Blaker, and it would not be sur-
hyped on the lives of the troops, dwell prising if it took a fairly high place
on unsavoury and obscene details, in war literature. Having referred
and have occasionally wandered to the far-fetched books—dismiss-
from the truth. ing them as rubbish.—Mr. Bowes-
Smith thought that the great eaze
for war books was already on the
wane.

The effect of the last-mentioned type of book on the younger genera-
tion, unable to sift the true from
the false, must sometimes have
been to give the impression that
every man in khaki was a coarse
and licentious blackguard, while
every girl who donned the uniform
of a nurse, a W.A.A.C. or an am-
bulance driver simultaneously dis-
carded all moral sense and decency. Un-
fortunately, the more scurrilous or
farfetched the book, the greater
the appeal it makes with a certain
section of the public.

Thus we find that from the three types of authors—those who wrote
for self-expression, those who
wrote for propaganda, and those
who wrote to collect gold from
garbage,—a very varied assortment
of literature was produced.

Outstanding Books.

The lecturer then proceeded to
deal with some of the outstanding
war books, first mentioning John
Maschfield's "Gallipoli" and Philip
Gibbs' "Realities of War". Speak-
ing of the books written by men

of the ranks, he referred to
"The Private in the Guards" (by
Stephen Graham), "Tell England"
by Ernest Raymond—which he
thought could have been more
truly entitled "Tell the Church of
England." Of the memoirs by
the big leaders he thought that
"The World Crisis" by Winston
Churchill had to occupy pride of
place. Having paid tribute to
"War Birds"—the diary of an
unknown American aviator who
was killed in August, 1918—he
went on to speak of Realistic War
Books—such as "All quiet on the
Western Front", the "Storm of
Steel", and "Goodbye to All That."
He thought that "All Quiet" was
not such a masterpiece as many
British war books which, on ac-
count of their restraint and whole-
someness, had not attracted public
attention to the same extent.

Tales and Novels.

Speaking of really good war
tales, Mr. Bowes-Smith referred to
"Her Private's War", which he
thought was as true a picture of
the every-day life of the men in
the ranks as could be wished for.
In the category of novels was
"The Spanish Farm" trilogy, by
Mottam, which some people
thought the greatest English war
novels. Of the early war novels
"Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse"
had taken its place among the
classics, while an almost equally

At the conclusion of the lecture,
Mr. H. C. Macnamara, Dr. M. O.
Pfeister and the Rev. Father G.
Byrne added interesting remarks
and comments on other books
about war which had not been
mentioned by the speaker.

In proposing a hearty vote of
thanks to the lecturer, Sir William
Hornell congratulated Mr. Bowes
Smith on his most excel-
lent paper and for his great
service in delivering the lec-
ture. Sir William invited the
attention of the meeting to the
book which Mr. Bowes Smith had
written and published as one of
the first war books after the Great
War.

It was announced that the next
meeting would be held on Tuesday,
April 7 at 5.30 p.m. in the Cathedral
Hall, when Mr. A. H. Fenwick
would deliver a lecture on "F. W.
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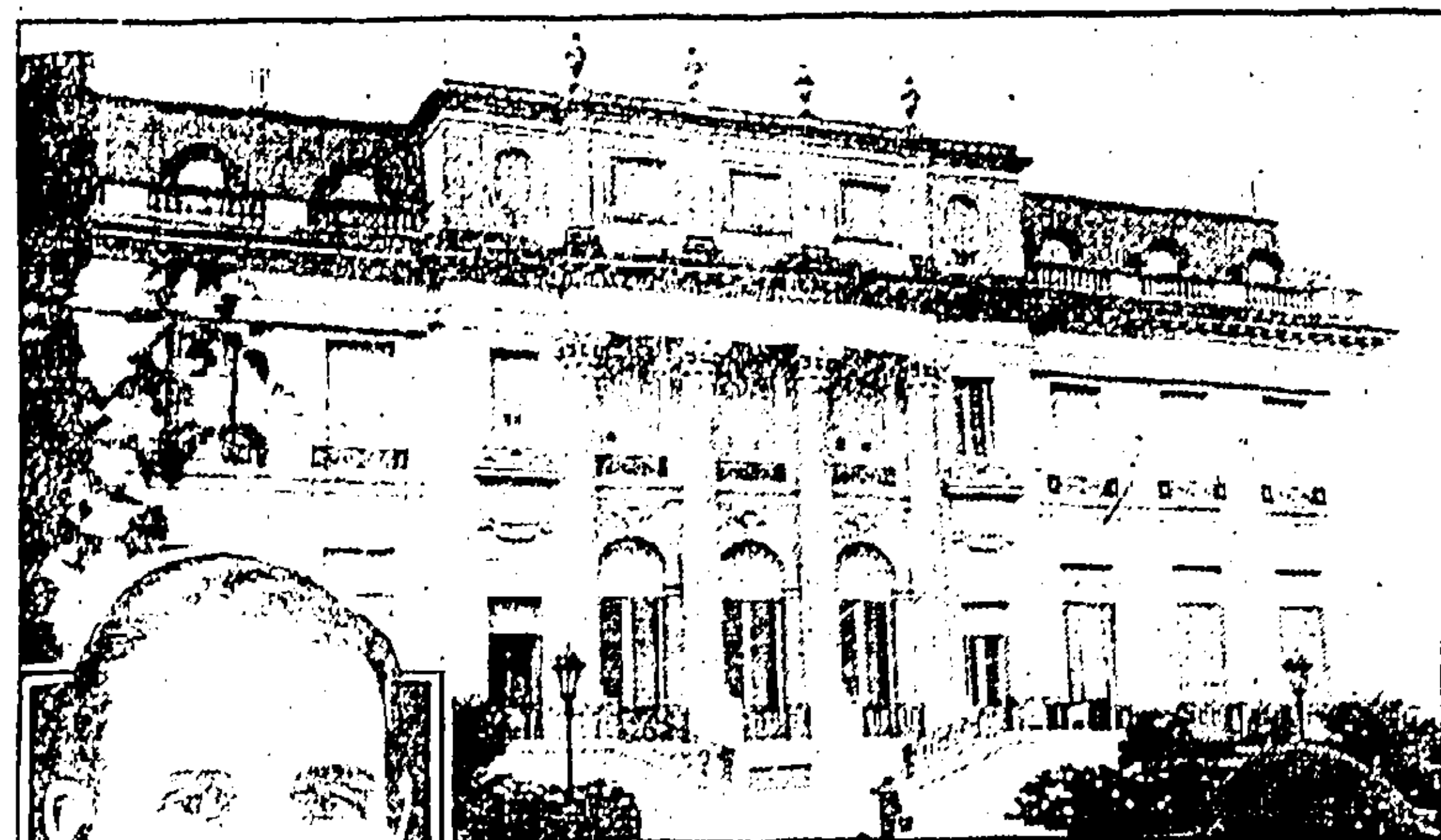




Major and Mrs. Tunney are shown above on leaving New York recently as members of a National Geographical Society Expedition into Asia.



His Holiness Pope Pius XI is shown in the above picture sitting on his Throne during a service at the Cathedral of Lateran, Vatican City. This is the most recent picture of the Pope.



The American Embassy at Buenos Aires where the Prince of Wales and Prince George are guests of Mr. Robert Hiss (at left), U. S. Ambassador, during their stay in the Argentine capital.



Dr. William Peter, who has been invited to China to organise a health education programme.



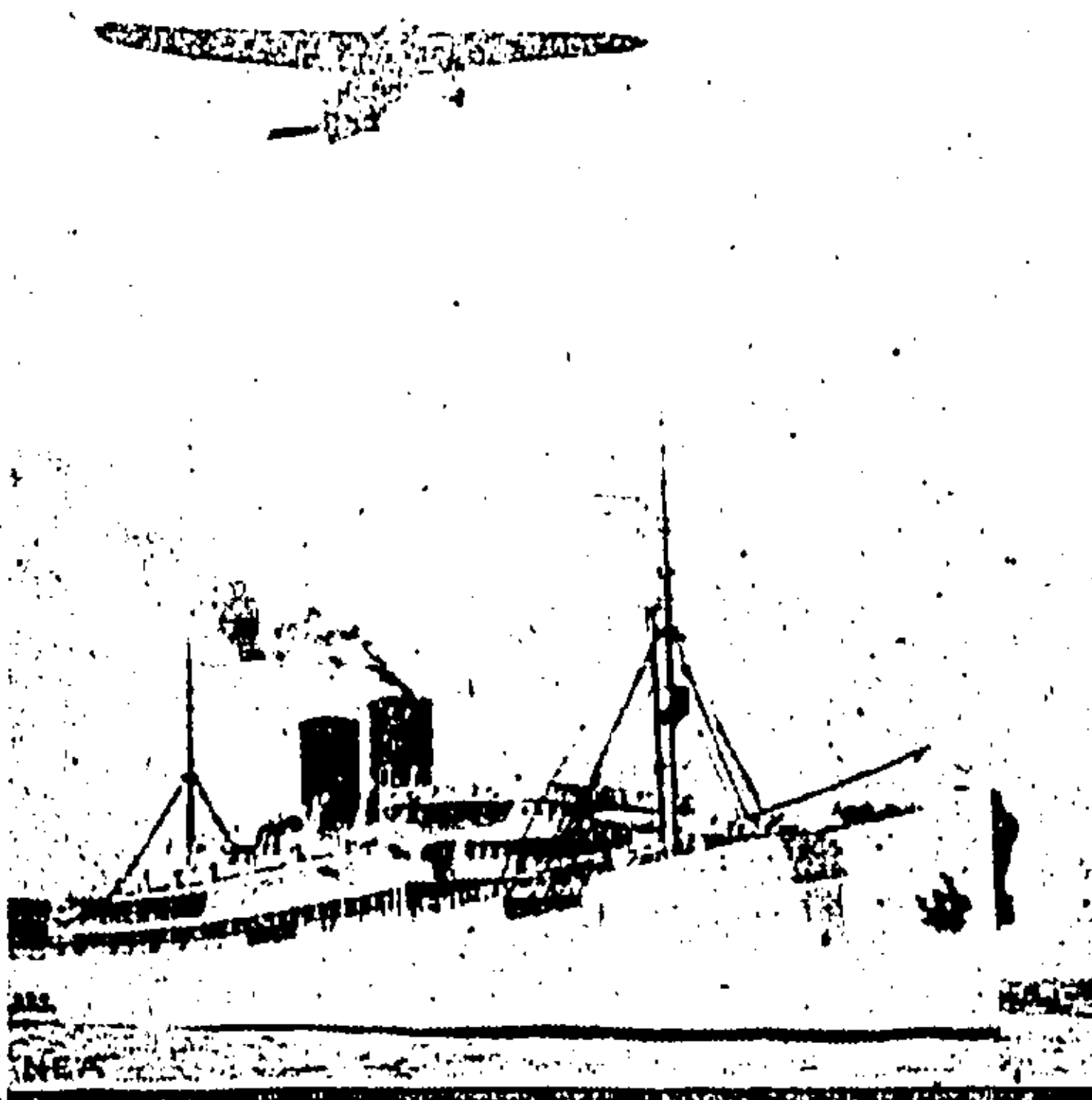
Sir Henry Field Dickens, one of the world's famous novelist, pictured at his Chelsea home. The frame of small pictures over the hearth bears "snaps" of his father.



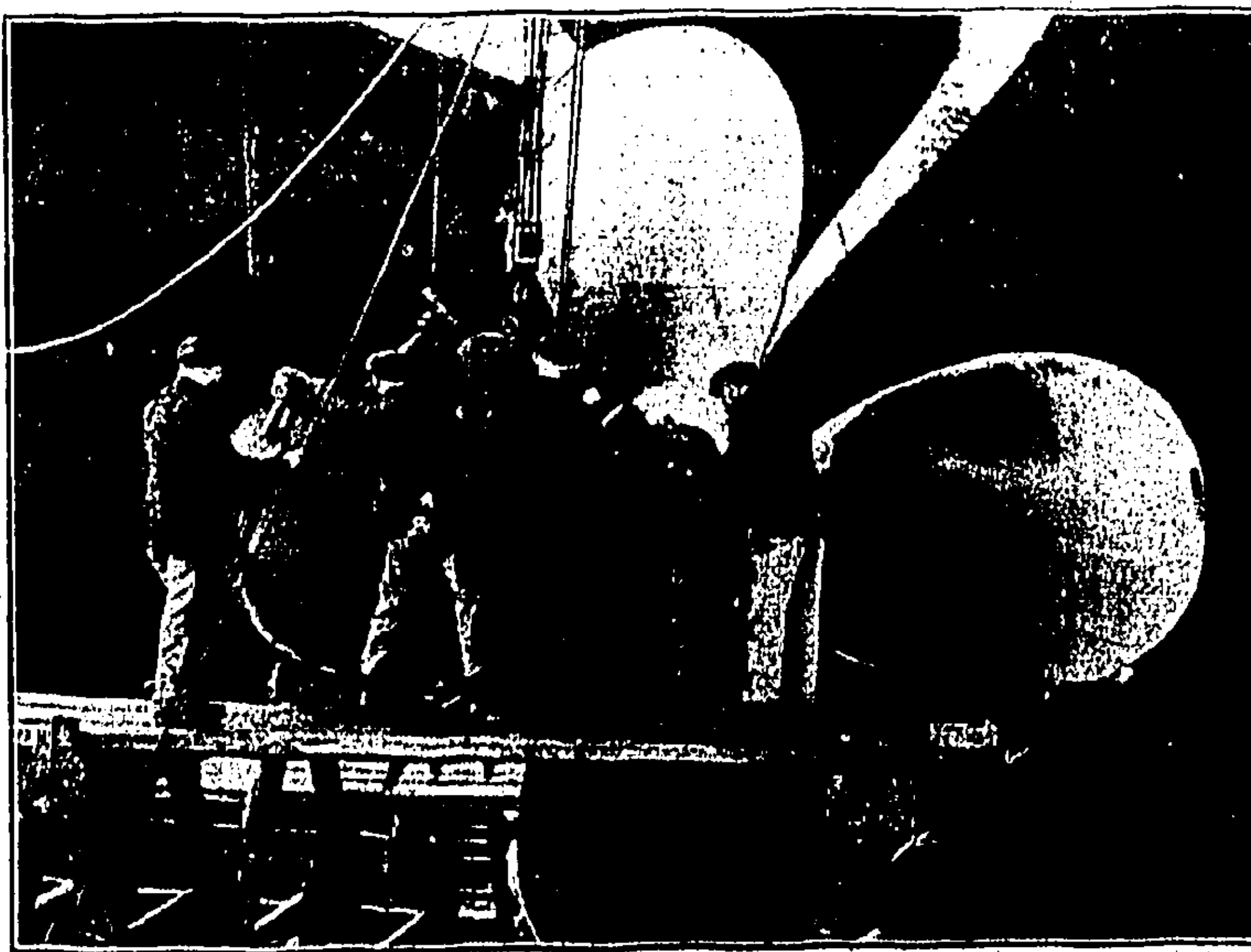
The mast of the powerful new broadcasting station at the Vatican is shown in the above picture. His Holiness the Pope (inset) on the cineth anniversary of his coronation used it for the first time.



A dancing number scene from "Shanghai Nights" which was produced at the Lyceum Theatre by the Shanghai D. C. recently. The leader, Miss Audrey King is second from the right.



The first transfer of mail of an aeroplane to the deck of a Pacific liner was accomplished recently when the s.s. City of Los Angeles, Honolulu-bound, received 13,000 pounds when she was a day out.



The biggest liner in the world, the Majestic, is at present in the floating dry dock at Southampton. The above picture, taken by a Times photographer, shows men at work on one of her 15-ton propellers, of which she has four.

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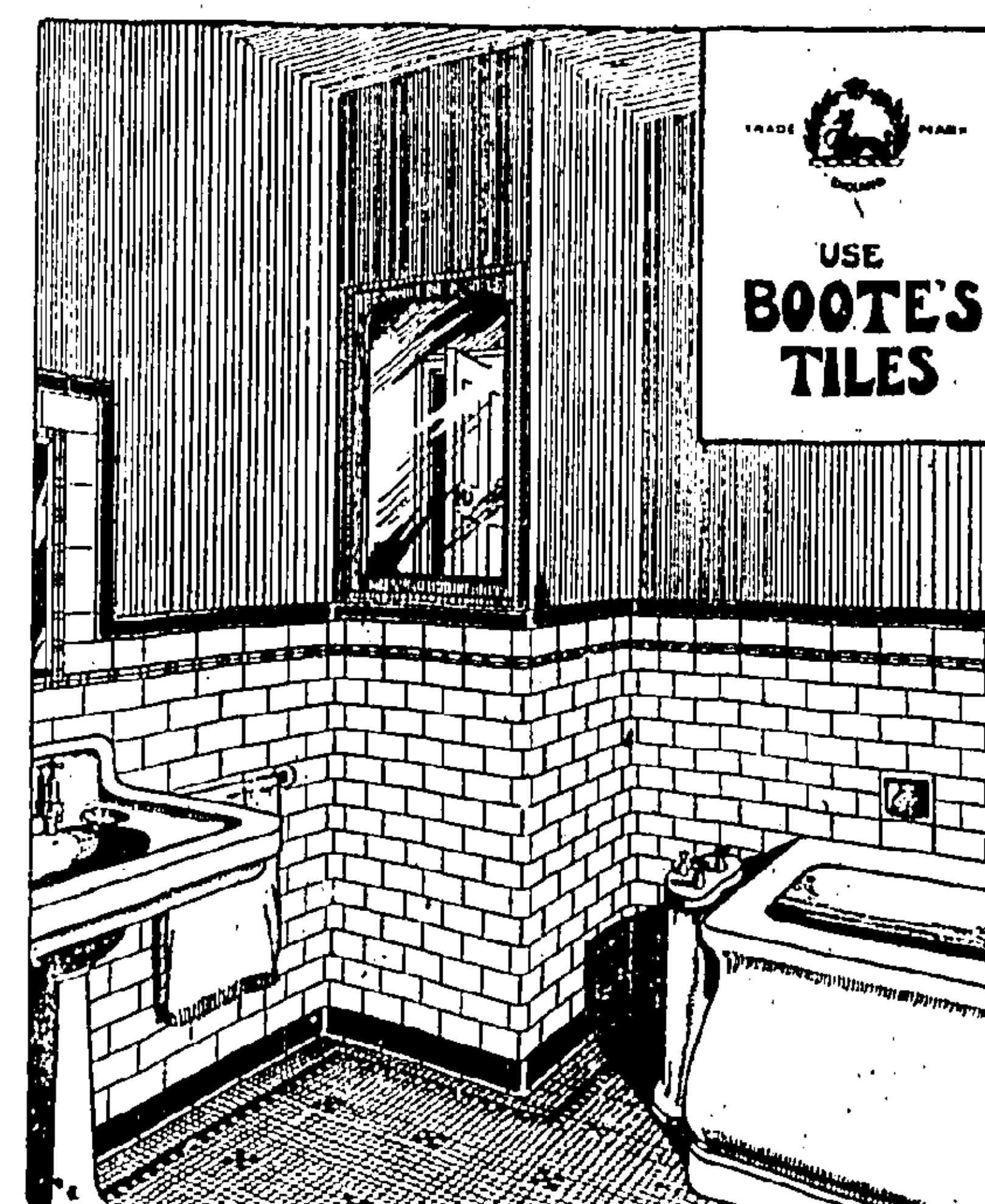
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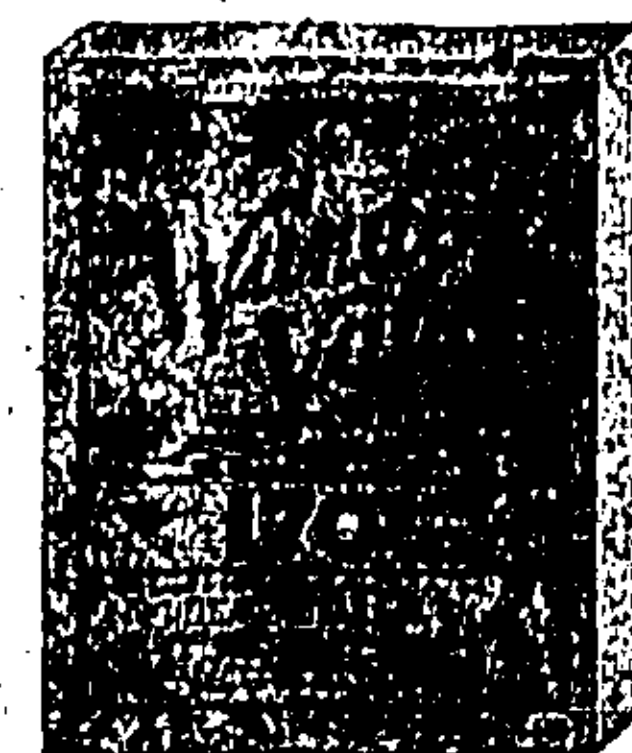
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The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Monday, 30th March, 1931, at 5.30 p.m. for the following purpose:—

- To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the past year.
- To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.
- To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
- To transact any other business of which due notice has been given.

All Members are requested to attend.
P. S. CASSIDY,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1931.

O. A. DINNER.

It is proposed to hold an Old Alleyman Dinner on Wednesday, March the 25th at 8.15 p.m. at Messrs. Lane Crawford & Company Limited's Restaurant. Will all O. A.'s wishing to attend send in their names to the undersigned.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-fifth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road, on Wednesday, 18th March, 1931, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 7th to the 18th March 1931, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors:

J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1931.

ASSOCIATION OF SUBSCRIBERS of the KOWLOON TONG BUILDING SCHEME.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Subscribers of the above Scheme and of all others who may be owners of houses comprised in the Kowloon Tong Building Scheme will be held at the Garden City Club, 119, Waterloo Road, Kowloon Tong, on Saturday, 13th day of March, 1931, at 3 p.m. for the following purpose:—

- To receive a Report of the Settlement of all outstanding matters other than the Flush System, from the Committee.
- To receive from the Committee a Statement of Account in connection with the dispute between the Subscribers, the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Company, Limited and the Government and the settlement of the same.
- To authorise the Committee of the Association of Subscribers of the Kowloon Tong Building Scheme to pay out of the surplus moneys now under their control, all legal and other expenses of the Committee in connection with the dispute between the Subscribers, the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Company, Limited and the Government and to distribute any sum which may then remain either amongst the Subscribers or otherwise deal with the same, for the benefit of the Kowloon Tong area in such manner as the Meeting may determine.
- To authorise the Committee to sign on behalf of all Subscribers any Indemnity necessary to carry out the terms of settlement as provided by the terms of a letter written on behalf of the Government by the Colonial Secretary to Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master on behalf of the Subscribers and dated the 28th day of May, 1930.

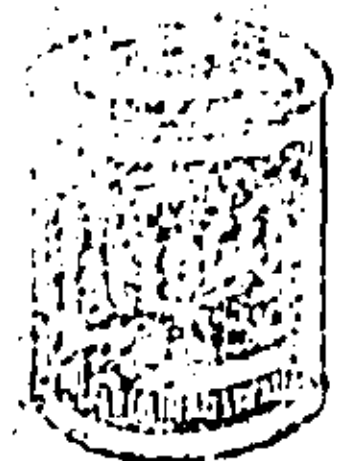
Dated this 2nd day of March, 1931.
By order of the Committee.
H. F. UN,
Hon. Secretary.

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 16th day of March, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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BOMBAY FRACAS. CONGRESS VOLUNTEERS AT LOGGERSHEADS.

Bombay, Mar. 12.
Wild scenes were witnessed this morning at the Congress building, which the Government of Bombay seized in October and has now restored in pursuance of the Irwin-Gandhi agreement.

Two hundred Congress volunteers, mostly armed with lathis, took possession of the building last night and ran up a red flag. They lay down in front of the building and prevented the members of a procession who arrived this morning for the formal opening of the building from entering, until they received an assurance that their grievances would be immediately considered.

Half an hour after the opening, however, malcontents reappeared and bombarded the Congress building with stones, and, armed with lathis, attacked the "loyal" volun-

NEW YORK SCANDAL. INVESTIGATION OF CITY'S AFFAIRS DEMANDED.

New York, Mar. 12.
Public impatience with the administration by New York's officials, brought to a head by the failure of the police to discover the murderer of the young actress, Vivian Gordon, who was found strangled in the Bronx district last week, is daily increasing. Eight hundred and twenty of the leading business houses in the city have now passed a resolution, through the New York Board of Trade, demanding a "complete and immediate legislative investigation" of the city's affairs.—*Reuter's American Service.*

teers, a score of whom were slightly injured. The police were called out, but Mr. Nariman, the president of the Bombay Congress, pacified the aggressors by promising satisfaction of their claims.—*Reuter.*

WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Stripes Very Much to the Fore This Spring.



Stripes or plaids, take your pick, but you must have one or the other to be in the van of spring fashions.

One of the newest ways to use plaids is to have the blouse and scarf of it, worn with a monotone suit. One of the new grey suits (left), that new colour that promises such popularity, has a luscious scarf and blouse of pastel

greens, blues, grey and a line of off-black in a tone that makes it almost purple.

Very smart and new is the white linen frock (centre) that has the loveliest bit of colour in the way of stripes of grey tone for the turned-back revers, for the front of the belt and banding around the bottom of the circular skirt.

This sports frock features tiny cap sleeves and a beret of the linen to match the frock.

For the beach, the white-flannel trousers and the striped jersey shirt, in nautical blue and white, a chic and vastly becoming to the majority of women. The bag and clogs may be blue to match the stripes or they may be red to make a tri-colour scheme of things.

TO-DAY'S RECIPES.

The Useful Flan.

Flans are very simple to make, very tempting to look at, and very delicious to eat—in fact, ideal luncheon-party sweets for the hostess who has to do her own "fancy" cooking. For they may be made some hours beforehand and eaten cold.

Flan Foundation.

Rub 2 ozs. butter or margarine into 3 ozs. flour, and moisten with the yolk of an egg, well beaten. Roll out the pastry, line a flan ring with it, trim the edges neatly and spread a very little neutral-flavoured jam over the pastry. Bake in a moderate oven from 20 to 30 minutes, and use for the following sweets:

Apple Flan.

Peel and core 3 large apples, cut each in eight, place them in a stew-jar with 4 cloves and 2 tablespoonfuls sherry, cover closely, stand one jar in a large pan of boiling water, and cook till the fruit is tender but not broken. Meanwhile prepare the pastry flan as directed above. When the pastry is baked and the apples tender, fill the flan with the fruit heaped rather high in the centre, pour any juice there may be over it, and sprinkle with 2 tablespoonfuls sugar. Whip 2 whites of egg to a stiff froth, spread them over the apples, dredge well with caster sugar, and bake in a

moderate oven till lightly browned. This flan may be eaten either hot or cold.

Chocolate and Fruit Flan.

Measure a teaspoonful milk and pour the greater part of it into a small pan to heat, keeping back enough to blend, 1 oz. cornflour, 1 oz. chocolate powder, and 1 dessertspoonful sugar. Pour the hot milk over these ingredients, stir well, and return to the pan. Stir over the fire till the mixture thickens, and if very stiff add a little more milk. Stir in 2 ozs. dates, finely chopped, 1 oz. chopped nuts, and a few drops of vanilla essence. Mix well, spread evenly over the pastry, and cover with the following meringue:—Stiffly beat 2 whites of egg, add a teaspoonful caster sugar, beat again until stiff, then lightly fold in about 4 ozs. caster sugar. With a broad knife spread the meringue over the chocolate mixture, but keep some back to pipe on the top. Decorate with crystallised fruits or flowers, sprinkle with caster sugar, and dry in a cool oven.

SAFETY FIRST FOR GLOVES.

The unfortunate woman who is continually losing her gloves will welcome the new little initials and name-plate combination, which fixes to the top of a pair of gloves to prevent their being mislaid. The initials, which are made of gold or silver, are fixed to a minute name card bearing the

THE REAL TROUBLE.

Do you know that thrill of satisfaction which comes when you find one of your more timid thoughts proclaimed as truth by someone whose judgment you respect?

I felt it to-day, when I read some remarks of Mr. Arnold Bennett on the value of reading history.

It has always been impossible for me to believe, sufficiently in the badness of any class to enable me to tolerate the idea of class-warfare. What I have fearfully, always believed in, however, has been the stupidity of large numbers in every class!

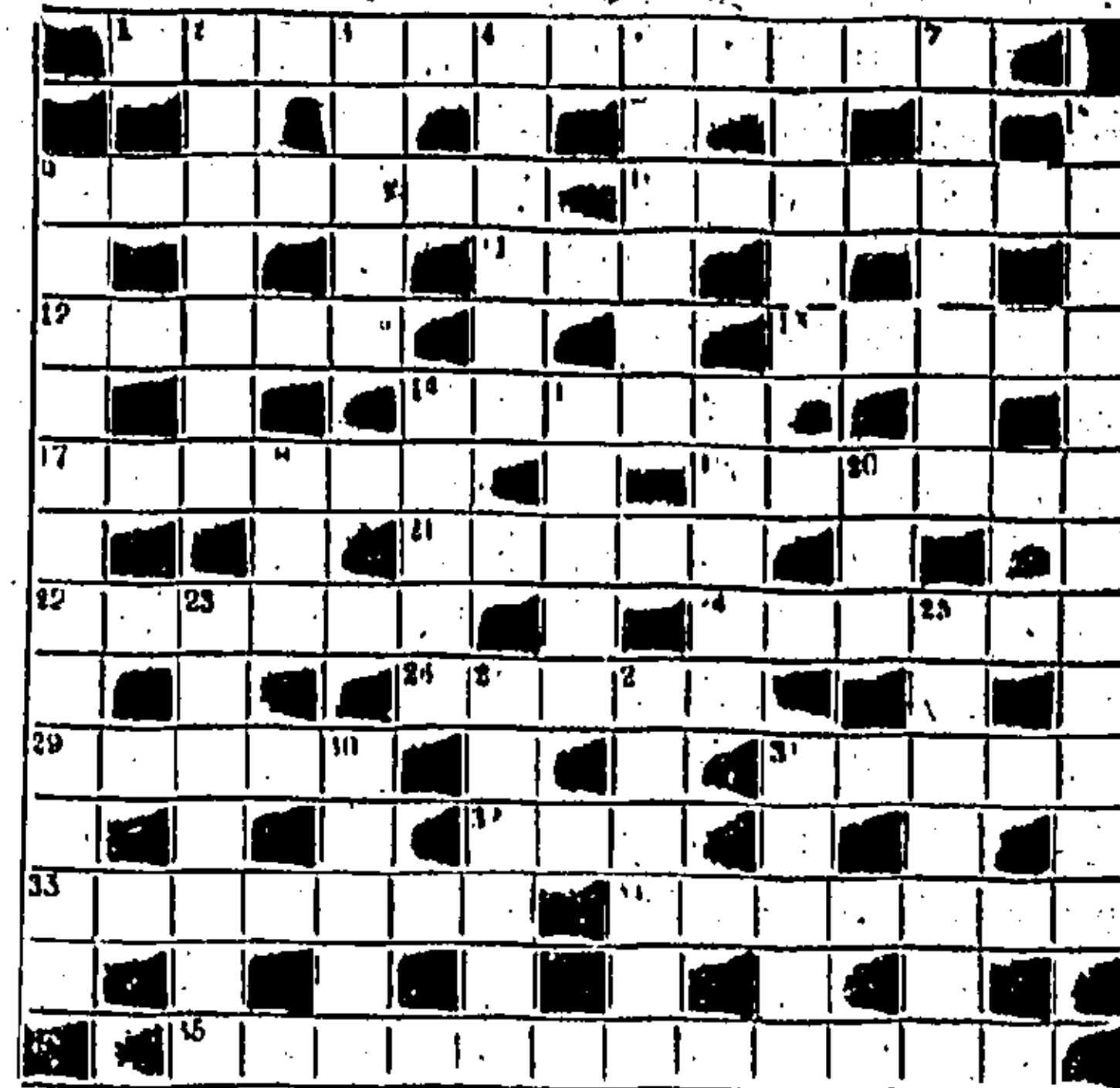
And most of the misery and muddle which is generally traced to "inequality," I have accounted for in my own mind by the existence of this stupidity and lack of imagination, where we should have had insight and exceptional capacity.

So it pleased me to find Mr. Bennett saying that one of the four great things which history teaches you is that "ignorance, stupidity, and lack of imagination are the root of all the ills that mankind suffers from."

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OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



- Across
- 1 A union.
 - 9 Here we have troubles on foot.
 - 10 Slanders.
 - 11 The land of freedom—and graft.
 - 12 a wide, wide sea ("Ancient Mariner").
 - 13 Now we must wait for the reaction. I only hope we are in time (hidden).
 - 14 Alas! to a Frenchman this may be turned into a lens.
 - 15 This is, undoubtedly, a complication.
 - 17 Annoys.
 - 21 There is something which sounds funny about this "all."
 - 22 Draw out the stops of an organ.
 - 24 This festival would be quicker if its first letter moved up one.
 - 26 These days are, generally, happy ones.
 - 29 Requires.
 - 31 Legitimate and seemly in connexion with an egg (or even two eggs), but not so where a peasant is concerned.
 - 32 Ah, that's the point, let me tell you.
 - 33 Take a cool fifty from this leather craftsman and he's more depressed than ever.
 - 34 The ultimate usefulness of this method of transport is still very problematical.
 - 35 Yes, he "made brass, sir," and is now quite free from perplexity.

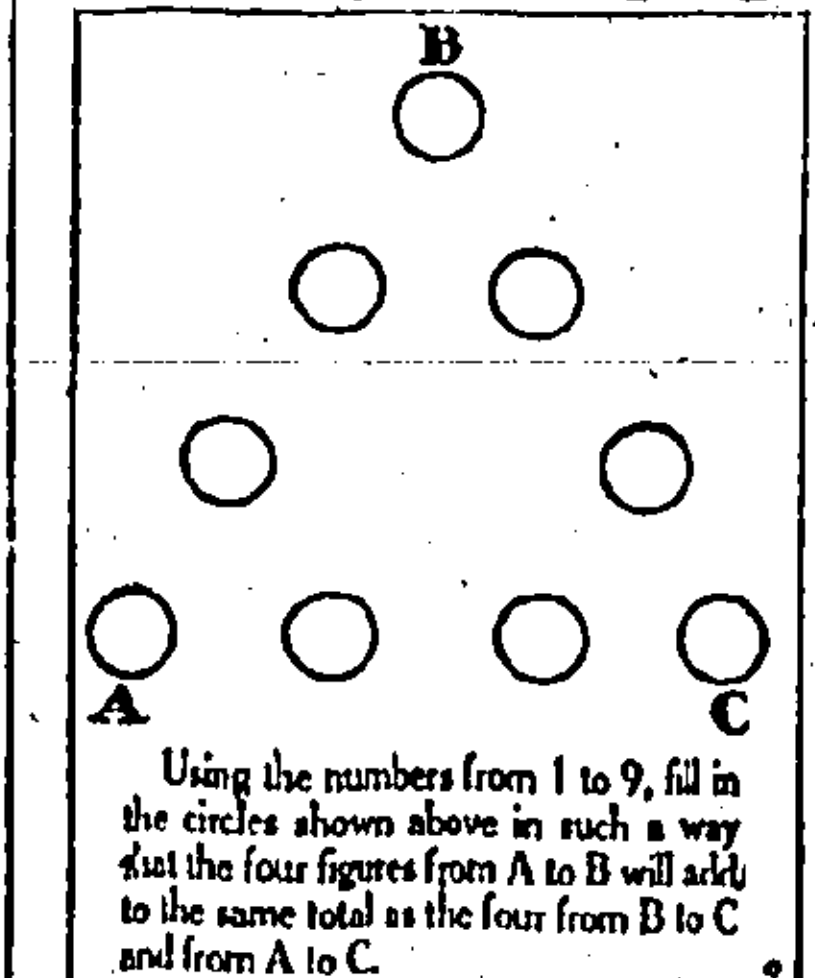
- Down
- 2 This wind may be fierce while it lasts, but it always ends soon.
 - 3 It is not at all unusual for this kind of liver to be its antonym.
 - 4 Tell confidently.
 - 5 This consisted of 132 ships which had a bad time in 1558.
 - 6 Estuary.

- 7 Nursery records tell a sad tale of ten of these.
- 8 Fix the value or send by sea—both, as a matter of fact.
- 9 The spirit that tempts fate.
- 14 Each clue does this to find the solution.
- 16 A little animal is snugly ensconced in this part of the coat.
- 16 "And the waves bound beneath me as a... That knows his rider" ("Child Harold's Pilgrimage").
- 18 It is a little too large to be easily missed (hidden).
- 20 The fool of the class.
- 23 Hurried up.
- 25 Experience does, and with very little more it might come from China.
- 27 This Irish county has its edge at one end.
- 28 The Peruvian sheep.
- 30 These are now in full swing.
- 31 Feeler.

Yesterday's Solution.

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STICKERS



Using the numbers from 1 to 9, fill in the circles shown above in such a way that the four figures from A to B will add to the same total as the four from B to C and from A to C.

Yesterday's Solution.

9x8+7+6+5+4+3
+2+1=100
The diagram shows one way how the number 100 may be obtained by adding and multiplying the nine digits, from 1 to 9.

FRENCH DEFICIT.

COUNTRY FACES SHORTAGE
OF 2,000,000,000 FR.

Paris, Mar. 12.
The Minister of the Budget has announced in the Chamber that France will have a budget deficit of 2,000,000,000 francs at the end of the fiscal year, March 31.

The Minister uttered a warning against extravagant expenditure on various social services, such as unemployment relief, and old age pensions. He declared that here-in lay the danger of chronic budgetary deficits.—*Reuter.*

(Labour) 8,938.
This gives a Conservative majority of 6,214.—*Reuter.*
(The polling at the General Election was:
Mr. Hugh Morrison
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Mrs. Masterman (Lab.) 13,022
Mr. Hancock (Lab.) 4,435
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CONSERVATIVES KEEP SALISBURY.

INCREASED MAJORITY IN THE BY-ELECTION.

London, Mar. 12.
The Salisbury by-election, due to the resignation of Mr. Hugh Morrison (Conservative) has resulted as follows:
Mr. Spencer Robertson
(Cons.) 15,800.
Mrs. C. F. G. Masterman
(Lib.) 9,586.
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REPRESENTATION OF
UNIVERSITIES.

One of the provisions of the Electoral Reform Bill now before Parliament is the abolition of the special franchise and representation of the Universities. How it will fare remains to be seen, but there has been some opposition raised in quarters which contend that the value of education in the conduct of national affairs is being overlooked by supporters of the suggested reform. There is, however, a good deal of misunderstanding on the question of University representation. As Sir Herbert Samuel has pointed out, "the Universities," as we ordinarily use the word, do not return these members of Parliament. The residents at Oxford or Cambridge, or wherever it may be, do not meet in convocation and select some scholarly man from among them to carry the torch of enlightenment to Westminster. Let us look at the working of the system.

The University constituencies are composed of some 120,000 men and women, scattered all over the country or resident abroad. A very large proportion are country clergymen or schoolmasters, the rest being engaged in other professions, in commerce, in land-owning, or in whatever occupation their life may be spent. Few of them are in close touch with the Universities in which, years before, they had completed their education. Absorbed into the general life of the community, these electors are not a class apart from other citizens, entitled to separate representation. The fact that some ten thousand, or more, of the University electors are permanently resident overseas has been given as a reason for continuing this franchise, it being urged that it keeps that number, at any rate, in touch with the affairs of the Old Country. Sir Herbert Samuel and others who think with him fail to see any ground on which a merchant, a planter, or an administrator, permanently living in some distant part of the Empire or in a foreign country should be entitled to vote, and by proxy, in the elections to the Parliament of the United Kingdom. Merely because such a man is of British birth and has passed through one of the Universities, he is granted this remarkable privilege, while his neighbours, possibly doing simi-

lar work and living in similar circumstances, have no such right. Moreover, if education, as such, is to be a title to additional political power, then it would be far better to proceed on the lines advocated by John Stuart Mill—the establishment of what he termed a "graduated suffrage," in which one or more additional votes would be given to citizens possessing specified qualifications. Among these classes would have been not only graduates of Universities, but also "all persons who had passed creditably through the higher schools" and members of the "liberal professions." Disraeli, indeed, embodied a similar proposal in the first draft of his Reform Bill of 1867. To illustrate how great the privilege is, it may be pointed out that not only is each graduate granted an additional vote to that which he ordinarily exercises, but that vote is allowed a weight in the elections equal to six ordinary votes. About 50,000 electors make up an average constituency. If the University electors were represented on the same basis, they would be entitled to two Members of Parliament; in point of fact, they have twelve. "One vote, one value" is a sound doctrine, yet in the case of these University voters this idea is completely ignored. The case for abolition of the special franchise seems overwhelming.

The Naval Pact.

The publication of the figures of tonnage allotted to France and Italy under the new naval agreement will set many minds at rest. No principle has been sacrificed to political expediency, although the political achievement represented by the staying of Franco-Italian competition must be regarded as of paramount importance. The main fact which emerges is that except in the capitalship category, naval strengths are to be stabilised at the position which will be reached on the completion of the 1930 building programmes. The least satisfactory part of the settlement, it is agreed on all hands, concerns submarines. France is, temporarily at least, permitted to maintain her position as the strongest submarine Power in the world. Even so, the fixing of the tonnage at 81,000 tons means that France has sacrificed 30,000 tons of her original submarine demands in order to make the agreement possible. While giving France this much credit, it is still fairly obvious that the figure is far too high for easiness of mind at the British Admiralty, and no attempt has been made to hide this fact. On the contrary, the French Government has been informed that the question of submarine strengths will be prominently featured at the World Disarmament Conference and that unless some solution is found that will bring the French figures down to a point more in relation with Britain's 150,000 tons of destroyers, Article 21 of the London Treaty will have to be invoked for protective purposes. Japan is also making a strong point out of the submarine allotment, but Mr. Hamaguchi's Government may be assured that no effort will be spared to remove the cause of dissatisfaction. Taken on the whole, the pact is a credit to those who strove so hard for its conclusion. A dangerous situation was forestalled. Tension between France and Italy has so much relaxed that a settlement of other outstanding problems should follow without difficulty. Above all, with naval competition throughout the world eliminated, the principals Powers may discuss their problems at the forthcoming World Disarmament Conference in an atmosphere free from the fears and suspicions which prevented a five-power treaty in London last year.

Banished at fifteen years with a record of two whippings in 1927 and 1928, the latter for burglary and larceny, a Chinese boy, Cheng Shing (16), appeared before Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning to answer a charge of having returned before the expiry of his term of ten years which he received in 1920. He pleaded guilty and said that he had come to get \$10. Mr. Hamilton ordered 12 months of the birth and three months' imprisonment.

DAY BY DAY

THOSE THAT ARE SO FOND OF
APPLAUSE, WHILE THEY PURSUE IT,
HOW LITTLE DO THEY TASTE IT WHEN
THEY HAVE IT.—South.

A non-Chinese case of diphtheria was notified yesterday.

Mr. H. Gray Swinburne, who until recently was on the staff of the South China Morning Post, has been appointed editor of the Standard.

Injured by a blasting charge during quarrying operations at Tai Kok-tui, a coolie was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday with injuries to his left leg.

The annual general meeting of the Society of St. George will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Ltd. on Monday, March 30, at 5.30 p.m.

The bridge party organised by Mrs. H. A. Taylor, to be held at the Helena May Institute on Wednesday, March 18th, in aid of the Victoria Branch of the M.C.L., has been cancelled.

A Chinese boatman of a lighter belonging to Holt's Wharf accidentally fell overboard yesterday, and was drowned. The lighter at the time was moored alongside the Wharf.

An accident occurred at the Commercial Dock yesterday, when a coolie while at work on the propeller of the s.s. Coranto, fell from the staging and suffered injuries which resulted in his removal to hospital.

A passenger travelling from Macao to Hongkong by the s.s. Sul An yesterday jumped overboard on the journey, and was drowned, a report to that effect being made to the Police on the steamer's arrival in port.

Cheung Kai-ming, a merchant living at the Mei Fong Boarding House at 142, Connaught Road Central, was admitted to hospital yesterday suffering from injuries received when he attempted suicide by throwing himself from the first floor of the boarding-house.

Major F. Rague-Kelly was fined \$5 by Mr. Schofield, at the Central Police Court this morning, for allowing his private motor car to cause an obstruction outside Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., on February 25 last. The defendant remarked that he had gone to see a friend, but had been kept in conversation longer than he had intended.

The annual general meeting of the Sind Hindu Merchants' Association was held on the 7th instant at Sindhi Merchants' Club and the election resulted as follows:—President, Mr. V. Shewaram, of the Pioneer Silk Store; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. T. Melwan, of Messrs. Poonamul Brothers; and Hon. Treasurer, Messrs. O. K. Gidumal and Watalmal.

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The S.P.C.A. Carnival Ball takes place to-night when both the Roof Garden and the Rose-Room at the Peninsula Hotel will be in use. Supper is to be in the Rose-Room at 11.30 p.m. and the dance will continue until 2 a.m. The Hotel are making arrangements to serve a special dinner for guests who wish to attend the ball. Tickets will be obtainable at the door and it is expected that many will avail themselves of this facility.

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If London and Paris
Changed Places.

By BEVERLEY NICHOLS.

EVERY night, at some banquet or other, some venerable personage totters to his feet and proclaims the benefits of international co-operation.

Beneath linked Union Jacks and Star Spangled Banners he calls for a greater number of American professors for Oxford and Cambridge, and vice versa. Through a haze of cigar smoke he dilates upon the benefits of an exhibition of Japanese art in Piccadilly, and Chelsea art in Tokyo. Exchange is fashionable nowadays, and on hopes, for the enlightenment of the world, that it will remain so.

I fail to see, however, why exchange should be limited to such comparatively unimpressive things as Persian carpets and classical professors. One can walk on the carpet, and walk away from the professor, and when one has done that, one's national obligations are fulfilled. Why should there not be a general post of a far wider nature? And why should we not begin by exchanging, for the space of a year, our London County Council with the governing authority of Paris?

The exchange would imply the fullest possible powers, which would mean, of course, that the French would arrive in London pledged to allow Londoners to do anything they wanted, within reason, and that the English would arrive in Paris with a fixed determination to forbid Parisians to do anything whatever.

For the first few weeks, in all probability, Londoners would fail to realise that they were no longer school children to be herded like sheep at the commands of their elders and betters. Stray wanderers in Piccadilly, at the unearthy hour of midnight, when that thoroughfare is normally cold and silent, would be astonished by the sight of lights blazing down Regent-street.

They would naturally rush towards these lights on the assumption that there was a fire. On arrival, they would discover that there was no fire, but only music and laughter. They would feel terribly shocked, of course, for all Englishmen have been trained, for generations, to regard life after midnight as, *ipso facto*, immoral.

But a few would take part in the festivities, and the few would be joined by others, till gradually, after two or three months, the dead, drab streets of our city would spring to life, and England once more would deserve the title of "merry"—a title which nobody but a raving optimist could apply to her at present.

London would blossom like a garden into which the sunshine had crept after generations of frost. Gay parasols would spring up in Hyde Park, and the casual stranger would no longer be depressed by the sight of ten persons slipping lukewarm mineral water under the trees on a Saturday night. Instead he would see a brilliant crowd sipping something less gaseous, and talking less gaseously, in consequence.

It would no longer be regarded as criminal for youths to allow

the sunshine to play on their bodies at the borders of the Thames, and, as a result, there would be far fewer cases of influenza in the following winter. Nor would that deadly sin, the purchasing of cigarettes at five minutes past eight, be any longer so deadly. Which would mean that London streets would not echo with that fearful clanking noise, as scared smokers deposited expences into inhuman machines, and skulked into the darkness with their unlovely packages.

Whereas... in Paris... but that would be too sad a story to relate. There would be a revolution, of course, at first.

Tens of thousands of hard-working, amiable people would be thrown out of employment. Bar-men, chambermaids, cabaret girls, waiters, musicians—all the host of delightful, human people whose livelihood is based on the two very admirable philosophies that a man is only young once, and that when he is old, it behoves him to make up for lost time—all this gay, charming, dancing crowd would be told, curtly, that their services were no longer required.

The blaze of lights in Montmartre would flicker and be quenched under the cold douche of British respectability. The tiny cafes, which have been the only home of many great artists, would be desolate. Where once there echoed a resonant battle of wits, a gay snatch of song, the slow throb of a mandoline, there would be heard nothing but the nibbling of mice at boards which still held a few crumbs from banquets of the past.

Americans would pause aghast before this city of the dead, and then they would rush by taxicab, omnibus, and wagon, to the Gare du Nord, and crowd the boats to England, bringing with them a hoard of gold with which to refresh English industry.

They would, of course, be regarded with disfavour by Mr. Philip Snowden, who bases his economics on the popular principle that the first duty of an English statesman is to impoverish his own country, in order that other countries may be rich enough to purchase the goods which he is then too poor to produce.

But that need not greatly worry us.

THOSE TOO
CHARMING
PEOPLE.

By NINA VANE.

NOT all the people whom we describe as "charming" possess that mysterious thing called charm.

Mrs. So-and-so is beautiful, well-dressed, sympathetic, amusing and rather a dear. She is indeed "a charming woman," but has she got personal charm? No, actually she has not. We know exactly why we like her.

Now though, no quality is absolute and no person has charm for everyone, this that we call personal charm is a very recognisable thing. It is rather unaccountable; it wears many disguises, though possibly vitality may be a common denominator, but it is a quite undeniable fact.

Perhaps it is found in perfection most often in men. The charm of woman is so often just a plain-sailing compound of looks, agreeableness, and so.

The advantages of personal charm are obvious. It is a gift that many of us would be tempted to choose from a fairy godmother. But is it not curious that we hear more malicious things spoken of those who conspicuously possess it than of any other class of people? And the reason is not to be found in jealousy or in envy. We who are troubled by no more than an average share of ill-nature are by no means especially catty about the beautiful, the intellectual, the smart, the witty, the popular, the rich, the superlatively dressed. We may envy them, but we do not resent them.

And oh! how we do resent that the world-resent this ridiculous force called personal charm. Say that a man cuts my dance at a ball, and presently comes up anxious to be forgiven. I want to be on my dignity. But I cannot blame myself if I surrender because he is really rather brilliant, or because he has an outstandingly handsome presence. Tangible, applicable reasons. But is it not from reasons like these that we are so often so easily won?

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"I always clap for the acrobats—I feel so sorry for them."

LIVING WAGE BILL.

SECOND READING IN COMMONS.

THE I.L.P. SCHEME.

The second reading of the Living Wage Bill, which was moved by Mr. Maxton, was carried by 122 votes to 51 in the House of Commons, recently.

Mr. Maxton said the Bill seeks to establish a living wage for all wage earners and to make this a first charge on industry.

There was, he said, wide agreement in this country that the problems of to-day were problems of overproduction, and under-consumption. The Independent Labour Party, on whose behalf he put forward the Bill, had worked out a complete scheme of social reorganisation based on the assumption that overproduction and under-consumption were two facts to be faced.

That scheme was all-embracing and its pivotal proposal was that of the living wage; and they claimed for it that at least it did what none of the other political parties did, namely, tried to provide a cure that was in conformity with the diagnosis of the disease.

The large mass of the population were still consuming far less than they should of the things regarded as absolutely necessary to the middle and upper classes. It was there that goods now lagging on the market could be effectively disposed of. Whether the people would be able to get these additional goods depended on whether the necessary purchasing power went into their hands.

Those persons who said that the right cure for social disease must be very disagreeable were like the old Scottish school-master who said it did not matter very much what you taught the youngsters as long as the little devils hated it. (Laughter.)

State Support.

In drafting this Bill they had endeavoured to bring within its scope every scrap of machinery devised in the past to deal with the wages problem, that it presented machinery by which the nation could first decide what a reasonable living wage was.

The Bill proposed, where an industry, on its present basis, was unable to pay a living wage, to make it the duty of the Government to rearrange the affairs of that industry so that it would be in a position to provide the people working in it with a reasonable standard of life.

Mr. Albery (C. Gravesend)—Does Mr. Maxton mean that the State will supplement wages? Mr. Maxton—I do not say that in the Bill, but I could conceive some one or two absolutely essential industries where it would be necessary for the State to support them in various ways, and I do not exclude from that the possibility of a subsidy.

The Bill arranged for the setting up of a Committee to define the amount of a living wage, the scale to be revised periodically, and the assumption being that as the national income rose, as it was bound to do, the incomes of the individual members of the nation should rise *pro rata*. It said also that the living wage should be extended immediately to all engaged in public enterprises.

Home and Foreign Trade. Safeguarding, he contended, gave no direct protection to the workers.

"I will be asked," he said, "what about our foreign trade? I think the whole question of foreign trade has got completely out of perspective. Our home trade and our foreign trade are in the ratio of something like 70 to 30 per cent., and to concentrate on the 30 per cent. while neglecting the 70 per cent. is a great mistake."

National industry should be so organised that the home market would be the principal aim. Foreign trade should be limited to what was necessary to meet absolutely necessary imports. It should not be difficult to devise methods by which in the home market goods were sold at the cost of production, while in the competitive foreign market they could be sold at the best price obtainable.

As to the question, where was the money to come from to pay for the living wage, his answer was that it would come out of the pool, which was periodically filled and emptied by those on whose behalf he appealed for the living wage. (Socialist cheers.)

FINDING THE MONEY.

Mr. Kirkwood's Suggestion for More "Bradburies."

Mr. Kirkwood (Sec. Dumbarton Burghs), seconding, discussed the question of where the money was to come from. "What," he asked, "is to hinder the Government devising ways and means of making plenty of coin? What is the Mint for? (Laughter). As to paper money, what happened during the war? Where did Bradbury come from and where is he now?

FAMOUS CANADIAN GENERAL.

SIR ARTHUR CURRIE NOW IN HONGKONG.

Returning to Canada, General Sir Arthur Currie, arrived in Hongkong on the P. and O. liner, Karmala, this morning, after having represented Canada at the inauguration of New Delhi.

Sir Arthur, who is Principal and Vice-Chancellor of the McGill University, Montreal, and also a member of the Canadian Council to India at Delhi. He commanded the Canadian troops in France from 1917 to 1919.

Sir Arthur is staying at the Peninsula Hotel, and will continue his return trip in a few days.

(Laughter). He must have retired on a living wage. (Laughter.)

"The paper issued under the name of Bradbury during the war was sufficient to give to the working classes a comfort the like of which they never had before or since. What is to hinder the present Chancellor of the Exchequer from issuing Bradburies instead of Bradburys? (Laughter and applause.)" Member: "Mr. Kirkwood's." Yes, Kirkwood is a name better known in the Empire than Bradbury was. (Laughter.)

"You could couple with the name of the Chancellor the name of the ex-Chancellor (Mr. Churchill), and surely these two, having the backing of the British Empire, would enable us to face the situation and give us plenty of Bradburies called Snowdens or Churchills." (Laughter.)

REJECTION MOVED.

"Triumph of Sentiment Over Common Sense."

Captain A. Hudson (C. Hackney, N.) moved the rejection of the Bill, which he described as one of the most revolutionary and certainly the most remarkable he had ever seen. Its father, and if he might say so, its uncle and aunt, all came from the Clyde.

Mr. Maxton—Give the youngster a chance. (Laughter.)

Captain Hudson said that the Bill was an awful example of what might happen if anyone took seriously the mass of vague platitudes called "Labour and the Nation." It rested on two fallacies, one of which was that higher wages could be secured by passing an Act of Parliament, irrespective of the profits made in an industry, and the other that, if a business was not earning profits, they should make it prosperous.

The Bill was an example of the triumph of sentiment over common sense. Its only result could be thousands more unemployed and a smaller debt.

Sir G. Rentoul (C. Lowestoft), seconding the rejection, said he understood the intention was to place the minimum wage "slightly beyond the capacity of the industry to pay." Four pounds a week had been suggested.

Mr. Wise (Sec. Leicester, E.), interposing, said that 30 per cent. of the national income did not go to industry at all but as interest to bondholders. That was the fund from which they expected to find the amount necessary to increase wages.

Sir G. Rentoul said that the Bill could only be intended to impose on the ignorant, the unthinking and the unwary outside the House. The Labour Party as a whole would not have its proposals.

He quoted the Prime Minister and Mr. Snowden against the Bill, the latter stating that a minimum wage of £4 a week for all workers would exceed the National income, and that after one or two weeks there would be no wage at all for anybody. It was dishonest to deceive the working classes by suggesting that such action was possible.

Miss Bondfield Critical.

In the course of the subsequent debate,

Major Trion (C. Brighton) said that the Bill would add to the numbers of the unemployed. Its most devastating effect would, perhaps, be upon agriculture, which was already suffering enough. He supposed if agriculture failed to pay the minimum wage, the industry would be taken over by commissionaires, including the co-operators, who had already shown their inability to make farming pay.

Miss Bondfield (Minister of Labour) recalled that the Trades Union Congress had had the subject of a national minimum wage many times under discussion. In 1922, she pointed out, the subject was very carefully and thoroughly inquired into, the result being to show that a single minimum wage for all workers was impracticable, and that legislation other than for individual industries could not profitably be pursued at the present juncture.

One difficulty was to say what the national minimum wage should be. There was no figure in the Bill, and the more they went into the matter the more they would find how impossible was the task. The Labour Party and Trades Union Congress were continually searching for improved methods

MOTORIST'S ERROR OF JUDGMENT.

NOMINAL FINE IMPOSED ON CHAUFFEUR.

Holding that an error of judgment had been committed by the defendant adopting the more dangerous course, Mr. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, convicted the driver of a public motor car of driving his vehicle on the wrong side of Chater Road, after leaving the stand.

The car, which Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield had just engaged, left the north side of the Chater Road stand when Sergeant Gull driving along Ice House Street collided with its rear.

Mr. Horace Lo, who defended, argued that, owing to the car being on the north side of the stand, it was necessary for the vehicle to be temporarily on the wrong side of the road. He quoted cases to show that it was not imperative for a driver always to keep to the left side of the road. He mentioned cases where it would be dangerous

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Interesting Pictures To-Morrow.

There will again be an interesting selection of topical pictures in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Art Supplement.

These will include several more of the recent Race Meeting, whilst other sporting events covered will be the Football Shield match between Kowloon and Hongkong Clubs, the cricket match between the Volunteers and Combined League, and the Kowloon Marathon Race.

Amongst the groups will be one taken at the wedding of Mr. R. J. Clarke and Miss Gladys McClellan.

A portrait of H. E. Vice-Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, the new Commander-in-Chief, China, specially taken for the Telegraph, will also appear.

for drivers to drive on the left side and contended that it was negligence if a driver chose the more hazardous course by keeping on the left side.

His Worship held that the defendant should have seen that there was no traffic in Ice House Street by sending someone to the corner. He agreed that the man was in an awkward position and had been guilty of an error of judgment. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

FELL INTO TUB OF HOT WATER.

PORTUGUESE CHILD DIES FROM SCALDS.

D. J. T. Smalley, Medical Officer in charge of the Kowloon Hospital, has reported the death of a Portuguese male child, Frederick Ribeiro, the two-and-a-half year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Ribeiro, of No. 556, Nathan Road, as the result of an accident.

The child on Wednesday accidentally fell into a tub of hot water which his mother was preparing for a bath, and, suffering from severe scalds, was immediately rushed to hospital, but died soon after admission.

by which the lowering of the standard of life for the workers could be prevented. Perhaps it would be an ideal view to take that those on the higher wage level should wait until the position of those beneath was raised, but she did not think that was practical politics.

She held that on this question the Government should proceed in consultation with official bodies, and the Trades Union Congress was now considering how far it was possible to provide greater facilities for the appointment of joint Councils, the regularisation of agreements entered into between organised groups of employers and workers.

Apart from the question of congestion of public business, it would be quite impossible for her to hold out the slightest hope that the Government would be able to give time for the further stages of the Bill.

Second Reading Carried.

Vice-Admiral Taylor (E. C. Paddington, South) was speaking in opposition to the Bill at four o'clock, when the debate was closed.

The second reading was carried by 122 votes to 51. A motion by Mr. Campbell (C. Bromley) to refer the Bill to a Committee of the whole House was rejected by 94 votes to 35. The Bill will therefore go to a Standing Committee.

WESTMINSTER GLEE SINGERS.

DELIGHT BIG CHINESE AUDIENCE.

Canton, Mar. 12.

If there is any doubt about the growth of appreciation of Western music on the part of the Chinese, such doubts would have been completely removed by the reception accorded the Westminster Glee Singers at the Canton Y.M.C.A. last night. The whole-hearted response of the audience, which consisted of over a thousand Chinese, was a definite proof of the appreciation of the programme provided, besides being perhaps one of the greatest compliments ever accorded the company.

Mr. Lockwood and Mr. Chiu are to be complimented on the success of their initial venture in this direction, as, after all, the bringing of such a company to Canton was in the nature of an experiment that might have proved costly. Ten years ago it would have been impossible to have secured such an audience. Those who might have attended would have done so out of curiosity and could not have shown the sympathetic appreciation that was so readily given. The spontaneous and hearty applause that greeted the first number assured the performers that they were among friends who understood and appreciated their art, thereby removing a doubt that must have existed as to the reception they would receive in their first appearance before a Chinese audience. It is indeed doubtful if in all their travels the Westminster Singers have had a more appreciative audience, even songs which were more or less subtle in their humour being understood and enjoyed.

The most important result of yesterday's concert was not the success of the venture from a financial point of view, but rather the indication to music-lovers of Canton that the time has come when it is possible to bring foreign artists here who will be received a warm welcome, all of which is evidence of the fact that Western culture in China is progressing by leaps and bounds; also that one of the strong influences that bring people together is the influence of good music.

Contrary to their usual custom, Mr. Branscombe allowed the programme last night to be broadcast by the Municipal Broadcasting Station by arrangement with Mr. Lee Chung-chun, who wanted to give the concert as wide a hearing as possible. Another interesting feature of last night's concert was the large number of University students who were present, and judging from the applause that came from them, they thoroughly enjoyed the good fare provided.—Our Own Correspondent.

THOSE TOO CHARMING PEOPLE.

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Infous if he makes me forgive him by some little trick of speech or turn of head, by an amused smile or a slight eager stammer, by temporary, transient sincerity or by an assumed humility?

Cheap chicanery of his miserable, effortless art! I am angry with myself. Probably I do not realise why. Later on I want, quite unconsciously, to deny the thing that conquered me, to be revenged upon it. So perhaps I speak slightly of him. Some people will even want to hurt him to assert their dignity. Though, of course, one cannot leave him alone.

It is amazing how universal these reactions are. The boggy would be scorched, smiled out of existence, if it were recognised. But it isn't, and people suffer seriously because of it, since neither the charmed nor the charmer understands. On this rock I have known engagements and marriages to go to pieces.

I remember a young couple who married for love. She was smart, popular, attractive, thought perhaps a good deal of herself. Gradually she came to resent the facile, trivial dominion his personal charm exercised over her. Still more did she resent the fact that it could not be reserved for her. She could see its expiring, undeserved success with everyone, turned on at parties like a tap.

She was not exactly jealous. She was angry with him, not those he subjugated. She tried to assert herself by becoming more and more irritable and disagreeable to him. He began to take his personal charm where it was appreciated. They loved each other, but they thought that love had died, and they are separated now.

A PROBLEM FOR BRICKLAYERS.

WHEN LIGHTER LOADS MAY SEEM HEAVIER.

Which are easier to wheel—70 bricks or 60? An unexpected answer was provided to this question by Dr. G. P. Crowden in the second of his Health Clerk lectures to the National Institute of Industrial Psychology at the London School of Economics.

Using the method of stacking, Dr. Crowden explained, normally employed by workers in the brick-making industry, it was actually less arduous on the arms to wheel 70 bricks. In addition, up to 84 per cent. of muscular effort could be saved by proceeding at a brisk walk than by attempting to force a faster pace from an unwilling body.

The efficiency of the human body as a muscular machine, he added, varied from 8.4 per cent. in trained weight-lifters to 33 per cent. in walking, which was a natural and rhythmical motion.

The workers in any particular factory were too busy to pause and consider whether in the long run they were working their bodies in the most economical way. The need was urgent, but industry and the workers' associations must give the medical scientists the opportunities and encouragement necessary to produce practical results.

OBERAMMERGAU TIPS.

DOMESTICS SUE PASSION-PLAY ACTORS.

Berlin, Feb. 8.

The Oberammergau Passion Play season has been followed by a series of law suits in which the domestics of the Oberammergau boarding-houses have sued their employers for a share of the 10 per cent. supplement added to the bills for service.

Four of these suits came up again after an appeal at the Munich Labour Court yesterday. The boarding-house proprietors, who included the two Anton Langs, the present actor of the part of Christ and his predecessor, claimed the 10 per cent. for the members of their own family employed in housework because there was no mention of tips in the agreements with the maids.

The present actor of Christ came to an agreement out of court yesterday to pay sums in the neighbourhood of £25 to each of his four employees.

One boarding-house proprietor, Liess, who did not dispute that his one maid had worked 14 and 15 hours a day during the season for a wage temporarily increased from £3 to £4 a month, had refused to give her any share of the £120 received in the form of 10 per cent. supplements to the bills. He was condemned to pay her £22.

IMPROPER STOWING OF PIGS.

ANOTHER SHIP'S CAPTAIN FINED.

Another case of improper stowing of pigs came up before the Hon. Commr. G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, when Capt. Larter, master of the s.s. Kiungchow, was summoned for arriving in port on March 11 with pigs in crates which were not stowed in accordance with the Livestock Import and Export Ordinance.

Capt. Larter pleaded guilty. In imposing a fine of \$100, his Worship emphasised the fact that this offence was gross cruelty to the animals and therefore must cease. The amended regulations, he said, had been in force since September last, but people did not seem to him to take any notice. He must take a serious view of the case.

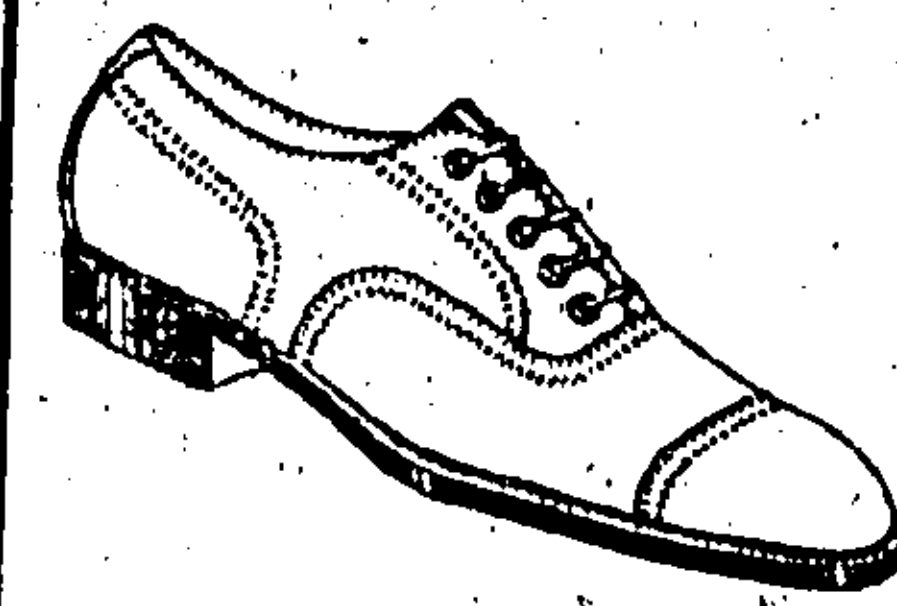
ALLEGED OPIUM TRAFFICKING.

BIG SEIZURE MADE ON SUI TAI.

Several members of the crew of the Macao steamer, Sui Tai, have been arrested for alleged trafficking in opium, a large quantity of which was seized by Revenue Officer Ward and a party of officers this morning.

It has not yet been stated what the amount seized is, which was disclosed but it is believed to be considerable. One of the men appeared before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court and was remanded until to-morrow.

It is proposed to hold an Old Allegheny dinner on Wednesday, March 25, at 8.15 p.m., at Messrs. Laha Crawfords Restaurant.



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KOREANS AGAIN GIVE TROUBLE.

STORMING OF AN OIL DEPOT AT KOSHU.

Tokyo, Mar. 12. It is reported that rioters stormed the oil depot and set fire to the neighbouring forest. The town of Koshu, in western Japan, was threatened.

Replying to interpellations on the affair in the Upper House, the Government stated that official despatches partly confirmed the alleged outrages, and the local authorities had been instructed to get the situation under control. The disturbances apparently were due to opposition by Koreans to the proposed removal of the prefectural office from Seoul to a more convenient site. Reuter.

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Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.—for Gentlemen and \$3.—for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain upon application to the Secretary badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.—including tax, for all persons including ladies and is payable at the gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted half price.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1931.

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- 9.32 W. J. Waddington & W. C. Lorimer.
- 9.36 C. H. Burton & M. St. J. Walsh.
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- 9.56 L. A. R. Duncan & G. Thomson.
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- 10.08 C. B. Brown & J. Yates.
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- 12.28 Q. E. C. Martin & R. G. Edwards-Jones.
- 12.32 W. W. Mackenzie & G. C. Johnson.
- 12.36 Ladies Championship final.

TENNIS TOURNEY.

SOME EASY VICTORIES YESTERDAY.

There were no outstanding ties in the tennis tournament at the H.K.C.C. yesterday, the only championship singles event being that in which E. F. Fincher disposed of E. Zimmern, conceding only three games.

Three doubles events were played off, with comfortable victories in each instance.

The results were as follows:
Open Singles.
E. F. Fincher beat E. Zimmern, 6-2, 6-1.

Open Doubles.
M. K. and M. W. Lo beat Luk Ding-cheong and Luk Kang-cheong, 6-2, 6-1.
Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-kit beat F. H. Kwok and H. N. Chau, 6-1, 6-2.
W. C. Hung and Chiu Chun-chiu beat C. W. A. Tufton and J. C. P. Tosh, 6-1, 6-2.

Club Championship.
H. Owen Hughes beat C. E. Holmes, 6-2, 6-1.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.
Open Singles.
D. J. Valentine v W. T. Lee.
T. Honda v W. C. Hung.
P. Kong v Ng Sze-kwong.
Luk Ding-cheong v Ng Sze-cheong.
Ho Ka-lau v Yew Man-kit.

Open Doubles.
J. W. Leonard and G. Lal v S. W. Liang and H. N. Chau.
A. D. Humphreys and Capt. E. C. Etherington v P. Kong and Ng Sze-kwong.

Club Championship.
A. L. Sullivan v G. W. A. Tufton.
H. J. Armstrong v C. C. Price.

INTER-UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS.

ARRIVAL OF THE KWANG-TUNG CONTESTANTS.

The Lingnam University team, consisting of 27 men and 16 lady competitors, arrived yesterday afternoon by the Sun Yat-sen University boat. The Sun Yat-sen University team, consisting of 23 men, arrived by the afternoon train. They were met by the committee of the Hongkong University Athletic Club on their arrival, and will be entertained by the members of the Hongkong University Union in their hostels during their stay here.

The following is the programme for the meeting:
1st day, 14th March.—100 meters, 800 meters, polo vault, 200 meters, 50 meters girls, long jump, 800 meters, open to Colony. Shot-put, 110 m. high hurdles, 400 meters, interval, shot put (ladies), 1,000 open relay, discus throw, 100 m. (ladies), 400 m. relay.
2nd day, 16th March.—1,500 m. relay, long jump (ladies), 200 m. low hurdles, interval, 100 m. school boys relay, hop-step-&-jump, interval, high jump, school girls relay, 200 m. girls relay, 800 m. relay.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

The following have been selected to represent the Y.M.C.A. second hockey eleven in a match against the R.A.M.C. at King's Park at 3 p.m. to-morrow:—E. Allen, R. Dormer, L. Tipples, D. F. Kilby, J. Purvis, R. L. Bates, W. H. Smith, W. J. Brown, Dr. Ashton, F. Parker, H. Muller, Reserve, L. Macoy.

POLICE INTERPORT SOCCER.

SHANGHAI WIN BY THREE GOALS TO ONE.

The police interport soccer match between Hongkong and Shanghai yesterday was rather disappointing. Shanghai won deservedly by three goals to one, but their form generally was not impressive.

Hongkong lost the services of Clark, their brilliant goalkeeper, a few minutes from the commencement, and considering that they were forced to play a man short for the rest of the match, their performance was quite good. The sides were level at the interval, Hongkong scoring from a penalty, Shanghai equalising just before half-time, after missing a penalty.

In the second half, Hongkong shaped very poorly and the visitors obtained two further goals without much difficulty.

It was a scrappy game throughout, though the first half provided more entertainment than the second. It was over-keenness and enthusiasm, doubtless, that contributed largely to the wild kicking indulged in by both sides.

Stanley Gash brought a restraining influence to the Shanghai half-back line and it was this department alone which did really well. The backs were weak under pressure and the forwards were woefully erratic.

Britain and Ornam stood out in Hongkong's defence, and Elie and Fraser were lively in attack.

Mrs. Wolfe Presents Cup.

At the conclusion of the match, Mrs. Wolfe presented the Cup to Harry the Shanghai captain, congratulating Shanghai on their win. Harry after thanking Mrs. Wolfe for making the presentation, congratulated Hongkong on the splendid game they had put up after losing Clarke and being forced to play practically throughout the game with ten men.

The Hon. Mr. Wolfe called for three cheers and a "tiger" for the Shanghai players, and Mr. Cogan called on the Shanghai players and supporters to give three cheers and a "tiger" for the Hongkong team.

The Golf Match.

Permission having been obtained, the golf match, which was to have been played at Happy Valley, will now be played on the course of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at Fanling. Singles will be played this morning and foursomes in the afternoon.

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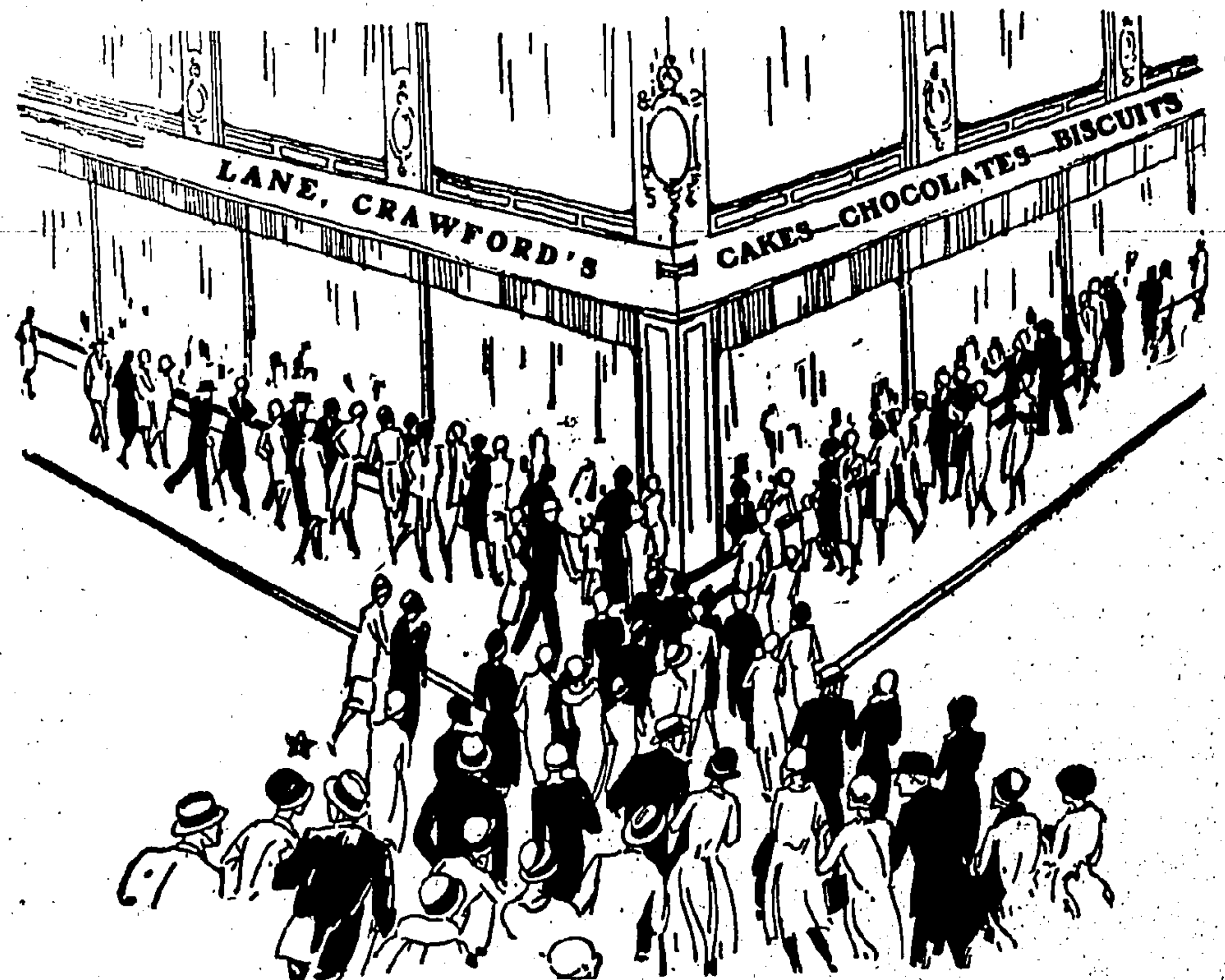
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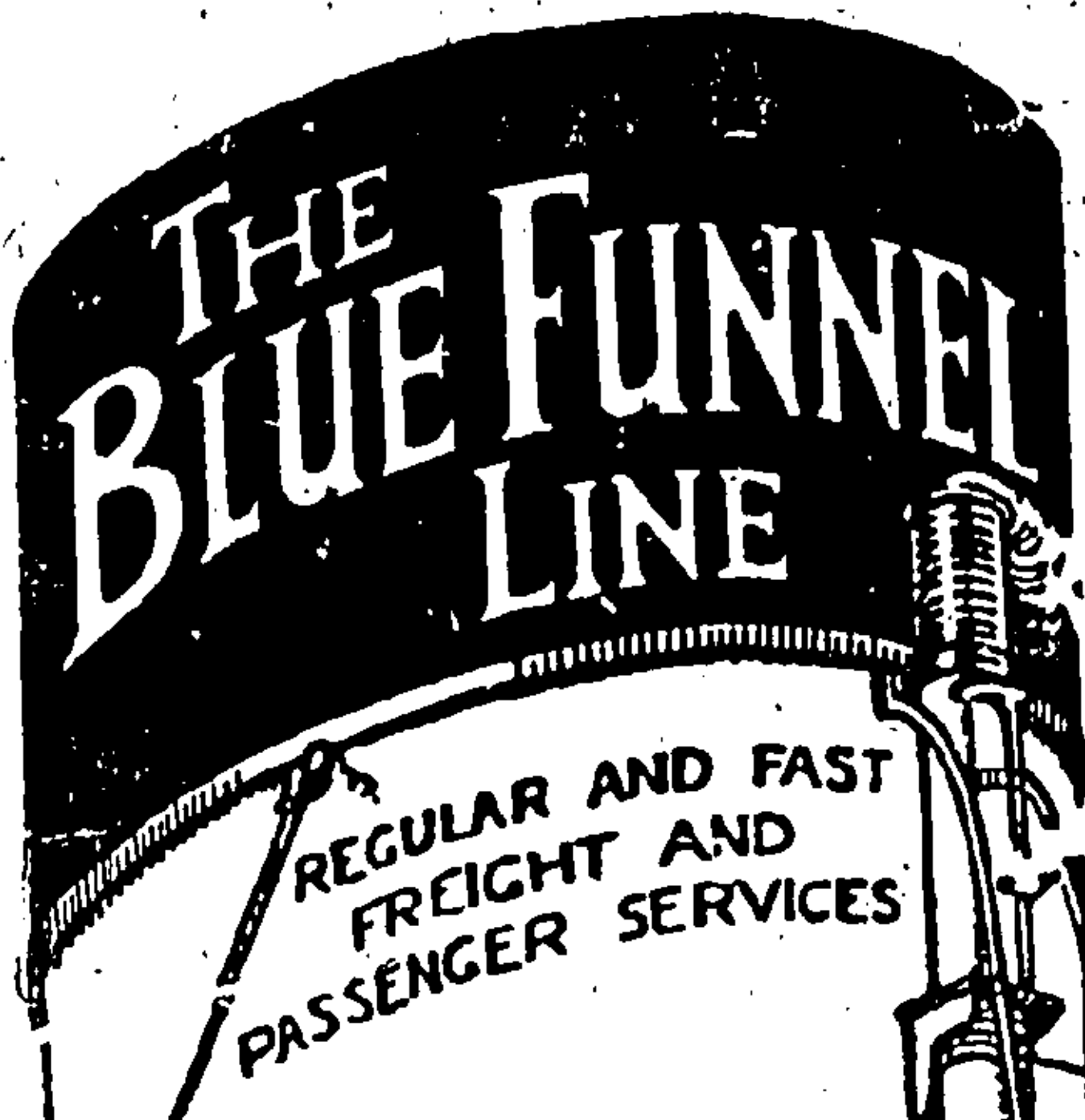


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Y.M.C.A. ANNUAL MEETING.

THE EXTENSION PLAN REFERRED TO.

"One of the outstanding events of the past year has been the decision to undertake the present scheme of extension," said the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, presiding at the annual meeting of the European Y.M.C.A., which was held at the Salisbury Road building last night. After dealing with the advantages which would accrue, the speaker expressed appreciation of the financial facilities received from the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, which had enabled them to proceed with the extension.

Mr. Shenton was supported by Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Vice-President, and Mr. J. H. Hunt, Secretary. The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, in moving the adoption of the Report and Statement of Accounts, said:—The Annual General Meeting has usually been held at 5 p.m., but your Directors decided to change the time to 9 p.m. in the hope that it will be more convenient to members, and the attendance this evening indicates that the Directors have been correct in their decision.

We have great pleasure in welcoming back our Secretary, Mr. Hunt, who has been on home leave, and we are all glad to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Hunt have enjoyed their holiday, and are returning full of renewed vigour. Mr. Ingram has recently left on a well-earned leave, and we shall be glad to see him back again in due course.

During Mr. Hunt's absence, Mr. McPherson very kindly took over the Secretaryship in addition to his many other duties, and we are very appreciative of his assistance and general supervision, although he tells me that most of the detailed work was carried out by Mr. Ingram. Mr. McPherson gave us his service without remuneration, and we are therefore very much indebted to him for all he did.

Before proceeding further, I want on behalf of our Association to express our gratitude to the Honorable Sir Henry Pollock, who has for so many years been connected with us, and who is now on a long holiday in Europe. Sir Henry Pollock has been connected with us from our beginning in 1904, and has been President of the Association from 1919 until last year. I have had several letters from Sir Henry Pollock to hear that both he and Lady Pollock are benefiting by their stay in Europe. Sir Henry Pollock has been indefatigable in his efforts on behalf of our Association, and we shall be very pleased to see both he and Lady Pollock amongst us again.

When in England last year I had the pleasure of visiting the Head Association and attended one of their regular affairs after which I was shown over the building and had a long talk with Mr. Chamberlain on the general organization.

The Finances.
I am glad to see that there has been a substantial increase in our gross income. It was unfortunately necessary for the Directors to increase the board and lodging charges as recommended by the House Sub-Committee, who have given the matter their very careful consideration, but on the other hand, I am glad to see that a part of the increase is due to the increase in the number of members which is always a happy augury for the success of any Association and indicates the appreciation of our services. It is a matter for congratulation that a large number of the young men of the Colony are finding this Association a convenient and happy place to spend their leisure time in.

Whilst dealing with the finance, I am glad to note the flourishing condition of the various Clubs under our aegis, and it is a matter of satisfaction to see that the members are assuming a larger share in the management of our activities, and this we believe largely contributes to the success of the past year. In the Library and Debating section the general interest appears to have waned when compared with former years, but I hope the coming year will see a renewed interest in this important section.

Extension Scheme.

One of the outstanding events of the past year has been the decision to undertake the present scheme of extension. The desirability has been apparent to your Directors for some time. It is the intention of your Board to obtain a sufficient number of rooms to accommodate casual visitors, members of the mercantile marine and naval ratings, as it has been difficult to meet this already increasing demand, but the addition of 30 bedrooms should bring the necessary relief. I have myself noticed how difficult it has been to accommodate those who desire to join in our various social functions, and I have been informed that on one of our evenings nearly 200 members and friends endeavoured to find accommodation. It is unnecessary to point out that an swimming bath is a most useful adjunct to any institution. I cannot pass from this subject without expressing the appreciation of the financial facilities which our Association receives from the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, which has enabled us to proceed with the new extension and will not only increase our revenue, but add very considerably to the amenities of our Association.

A Communal Asset.
The Directors believe that the Y.M.C.A. is an asset to any community, but particularly so in a place like Hongkong, where men are continually arriving in the midst of new conditions, so that an institution of this nature is invaluable in assisting them to become generally acclimatised to their new surroundings.

The Y.M.C.A. is a powerful body. It is a religious and moral institution—not as its enemies would have the world believe, a sanctimonious one. It proscribes no harmless pastime, but, on the contrary, encourages every species of wholesome recreation at proper times and places. The extension of mental, moral and religious culture to all who desire the blessing, is one of its leading objects and another is to place Christianity in its legitimate light before all men, by showing practically that genuine cheerfulness and the practice of virtue is incomparably preferable to the false and fleeting excitement of a life of mere indulgence.

"Christianity is intensely practical. She has no trait more striking than her common sense." Before concluding, I desire on behalf of the Board to thank all those members who have been uniting their efforts in making the past year so successful for the Y.M.C.A.

The Business.
The annual report and statement of accounts for the year 1930 were taken as read, and adopted by the meeting.

Lieut. Col. W. F. Christian, D.S.O., Mr. J. P. Warren and Mr. F. W. James were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

In proposing a vote of thanks to the President (Mr. Shenton), Mr. Cassidy said that Mr. Shenton had been connected with the Board for a comparatively short time, but during that time he had really thrown himself wholeheartedly into the work of the Association. (Applause). The President's job was no sinecure and he could fairly say that Mr. Shenton had put his heart and soul into it, and had done an enormous amount to help on the good work. (Applause).

In reply, Mr. Shenton thanked them for the vote of thanks, saying he hoped that he had been able to do some useful work, and expressing the hope that he would be able to continue to do so in the future. He spoke in appreciative terms of the work done by Mr. Cassidy, who acted as President while he (Mr. Shenton) was home on leave. Mr. Cassidy had done extraordinarily well and they were all grateful to him. (Applause).

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An action against two book sellers, who were exposing for sale, literature, on which was a trade mark, resembling that of the Commercial Press, Ltd., was taken by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, before Mr. Schofield, at the Central Police Court yesterday, on behalf of the Commercial Press, Ltd.

The two shops, the Kong Kee, of 240, Queen's Road East, and the Kam Kee of 350, Queen's Road East, were represented by a member of the staff who entered pleas of guilty to the summonses.

Mr. Macnamara pointed out to his Worship that the complainant firm were big book sellers and printers, primarily established in Shanghai and later in Hongkong. The books, on which their trade marks had been infringed, were for elementary schools. Those books had been sold by the complainants for many years and a very large number of book sellers had been in the habit of copying the trade marks of the genuine articles. The entire name of the Commercial Press, Ltd. had been unblushingly copied without any disguise whatsoever. These books were of an inferior character and could be printed and sold for a cheaper rate because, in many cases, the Commercial Press, Ltd. had to pay royalties to authors.

Mr. Macnamara mentioned that there were two previous prosecutions for similar offences and these had been given the widest publicity by advertisements being inserted in six leading Chinese papers, while printed pamphlets were also circulated to book-sellers, including the defendant companies.

Continuing, Mr. Macnamara remarked that he did not think the Chinese fully appreciated the gravity of the offences and asked his Worship to make a pronouncement that persons infringing trade marks were liable to imprisonment.

His Worship fined each of the two defendants \$100 and ordered each to pay \$150 costs. His Worship announced that if there was a repetition of the offence, imprisonment without the option of a fine, would be imposed.



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STEAMER.

AT LEAST 150 SAID TO HAVE
PERISHED.

Shanghai, Mar. 12.

Survivors returning to Shanghai
aboard the revenue cutter Chuen
Tiao this morning, disclosed a
terrible tragedy of the sea which
is considered outstanding in local
annals.

It appears that when the
steamer Ta Chi, of the Ta Ta
Steam Navigation Company, was
on a voyage from Shanghai to
Yangchow, and was near Big Tree
Beacon light boat, at 6 p.m. yester-
day, about sixty miles from Shang-
hai, an explosion and fire occurred,
in which it is believed 150 persons,
including the Chinese captain,
perished; and the ship is a total
wreck.

Survivors, who number 119, say
that soldiers were responsible. As
they threw lighted cigarettes into
the cargo of cotton, and behaved
generally in a disorderly fashion.

A relative of one of the missing
passengers tried to commit suicide
in front of the Company's office,
by jumping into the river, after
receipt of news of the disaster,
but was saved from the water by
the police.—Our Own Correspondent.

Reuter's Report.

Shanghai, Mar. 12.

It is reported that a heavily-
loaded Chinese passenger steamer,
the Ta Chi, bound up-river, blew
up and sank last night seventy
miles from Shanghai. It is be-
lieved that 200 were drowned.

The vessel carried 100 Chinese
soldiers among 300 Chinese pas-
sengers, and it is reported that a
fire broke out aboard as the result
of soldiers throwing cigarette ends
into the cargo, which was mainly
of cotton. An explosion quickly
followed the outbreak of fire.

Harrowing Scenes.

Later.

The loss of the Ta Chi is con-
firmed by a Customs cruiser which
has brought survivors to Shanghai.
It was patrolling in the Yangtze
and saw smoke smothering the
vessel. It steamed over to assist,
but before arrival an explosion rent
the Ta Chi's foredeck, instantly
killing many deck passengers. The
captain anchored the ship, but im-
mediately a second explosion blew
out the stern, throwing most of the
remaining passengers into the river.

There were most frightful scenes
as a mass of burned, injured and
panic-stricken humanity struggled
in the water and on the wrecked
ship.

The Customs cruiser and some
native boats rescued 180 people out
of about 400 known to be aboard the
vessel, which was loaded to capacity
with deck passengers.—Reuter.

[The Ta Chi was built in Hong-
kong in 1904, and was a wooden
single screw vessel of 220 tons,
formerly known as the Tung Ning.
It was registered at Shanghai and
flew the Chinese flag.]

The Reuter cable gives the name
as Pa Chi, which is probably an
alternative rendering.

EXTRALITY ISSUE
& THE POWERS.

NO PROGRESS MADE AT
NANKING MEETING.

Nanking, Mar. 12.

Sir Miles Lampson, the British
Minister now visiting Nanking, has
received fresh instructions from the
Home Government concerning the
Chinese demand for the abolition
of extrajurisdiction. Mr. C. T. Wang had a
two-hour conference with Sir Miles
Lampson yesterday, and it is stated
that on account of the firm stand
taken by the Chinese Foreign
Minister, no understanding was
reached on the major questions.

Interviewed by Chinese news-
paper correspondents, Mr. Wang
said that the Nanking Government
had left no stone unturned to effect
simultaneous negotiations with
the Powers for the immediate
abolition of extrajurisdiction. Both sides
were maintaining a firm stand and
Mr. Wang could see no prospect of
an early conclusion of the negotia-
tions with the British Minister,
unless the British Government was
willing to make concessions.

The Chinese Foreign Minister
further stated that the French reply
on the Chinese demand for ex-
trajurisdiction had also been re-
ceived and was similar in wording
to the British answer, both replies
being considered by the Chinese
Government as unsatisfactory.

The Nanking Government was
expecting an early visit by the
French Minister, when a discussion
will be arranged between him and
Mr. C. T. Wang. Peking telegrams
state that the French Minister, who
was to have left for Nanking on
Tuesday, has been prevented from
leaving the trip on account of ill-
ness.

NEW DEFECTION
OF TROOPS.

BRIGADE REPORTED TO HAVE
JOINED REDS.

Hankow, Mar. 12.

A brigade of troops despatched
from Wuhan to Liu Ling to
suppress the mutineers are
also reported to have joined the
"Reds," who have now captured
Kwangshui.

The famous Wusongkwan pass
and the railway tunnel beneath are
in serious danger of capture by the
"Reds." The railway staff at
Kwangshui have left the place.—
Reuter.

Earlier Reports.

A Peking message of March 8
stated that reliable Chinese and
foreign reports confirmed previous
news from Hankow of a mutiny of
the 12th Division, and that 20,000
men were occupying the area
from Sinyangchow to Kwangshui.
Troops from Peking were not run-
ning further than Chumation. The
first loyal troops sent against the
rebels were insufficient and were
reported to have been defeated.
Severe fighting was said to be go-
ing on near Kwangshui.

The earlier message from Han-
kows reported that the Twelfth
Division, 10,000 strong, had muti-
nied on the Peking-Hankow Railway,
southward of Sinyangchow. In the
course of the mutiny the soldiers

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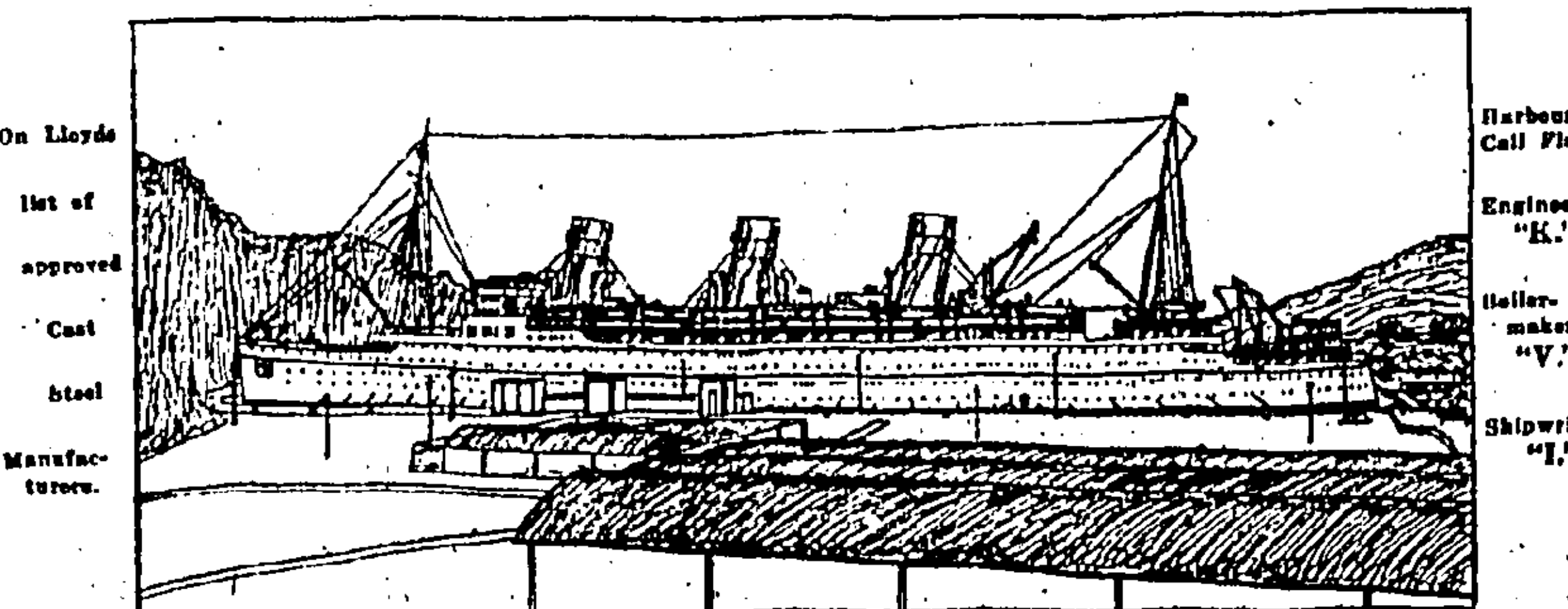
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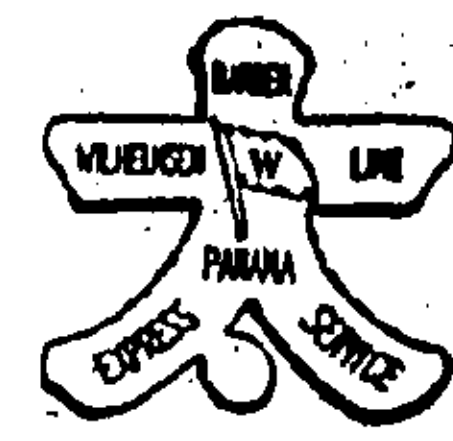
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*KARNATA	9,128	11th Apr.	M's, L'don, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp
RAJPUTANA	16,586	25th Apr.	M's, L'don, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp
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MR. BALDWIN'S INDIA GESTURE.

(Continued from Page 1.)
that decision had been come to, he felt he would much rather no statement was made.

These conversations were private but he noticed that there was some communication between the committee of his party and the hostile section of the Press and he preferred that the action he took should come out authenticated by himself.

He knew the result might be unfortunate in its reactions in India. He believed, however, that what had been said since and during the present debate might help to remove those misunderstandings.

Proceeding he expressed the confident hope that the Government would not think of effecting any major changes in the existing constitution whilst all the great questions discussed at the Conference were still in the process of negotiation.

Mr. Baldwin deprecated very strongly the use of the words "victory" or "surrender" as regards the Irwin-Gandhi conversations.

Victory for Commonsense.

"I have been told I have surrendered to Mr. Churchill (laughter), but there has been no surrender and there has been no victory, except the victory of commonsense."

Mr. Baldwin, in stating that whatever happened in the India area, goodwill and co-operation had been greatly enlarged, then quoted, amid much laughter, words of Mr. Winston Churchill in 1920 in reference to Egypt, emphasising the phrase: "The British way of doing things implied close and perpetual co-operation with the peoples of the country and this has been nowhere so successful as in India."

Mr. Baldwin said that there could be no better summing-up of the situation than that speech of Mr. Churchill.

Daily Mail Criticised.

He went on to stress the need for the unity of all parties on the subject of India, saying he was convinced that such writings as appear in papers like the Daily Mail do more to lose India than anything.

The Conservative leader said that many people were blind to the alarming rapidity with which the East was changing, and declared that the ultimate result of the situation in India (and here Mr. Baldwin again referred to the passage from Mr. Churchill that he had quoted) depended not upon force, but upon goodwill, sympathy and understanding between India and Great Britain.

Tribute to Viceroy.

Mr. Baldwin concluded with a tribute to the peace efforts of Lord Irwin, the Viceroy, saying that such a conclusion as had been reached could have been reached by no other Englishman.

It was a great tribute to his character—character which had given him a prestige in India that nothing else could have afforded him. They could not judge the ultimate effect yet. Extremism in India or at home died slowly but whatever happened the settlement had definitely enlarged the area of goodwill. The question of the constitutional Government of India was by far the most important most difficult Imperial question we had ever had to face.

His great work was that he had bridged the gulf, and his name would stand out in history as one of India's greatest Viceroys.

Referring to the difficulties confronting many Conservatives, Mr. Baldwin declared that if there was one subject of India in a niggling grudging spirit were a majority of the Party, in God's name let them choose another leader.

If they were in the minority, let them cease throwing difficulties in the way of those who had undertaken an almost superhuman task, on whose successful performance depended the well-being, prosperity and duration of the British Empire. (Cheers.)

He did not believe the bulk of his party in the Commons or the country took a different view from that expressed by Lord Peel and by himself at Newton Abbott. So long as he was there he would carry out that policy in no niggardly spirit.

"Historic Speech."

Mr. Wedgwood Benn, the Secretary of State for India, replying, said that after Mr. Baldwin's historic speech, there was really nothing to add from the viewpoint of the Indian situation.

He was certain that Mr. Baldwin's words would be read with relief and delight by all sections of opinion in India, while no-one would be more encouraged in his task than the Viceroy.

If Mr. Baldwin stood by the declaration which Lord Peel made

on January 26—and it was so, Mr. Benn declared—the work on which they had all been engaged would go forward and with success. (Cheers.)

Gandhi's Promise.

After paying tributes to public officials, particularly the police, and to the patriotism of the Indian delegations to the Round Table Conference, he said those delegates had returned convinced of the good faith of the British Parliament and so were able to explain the work of the Conference to their countrymen.

As a result the area of co-operation was extended. It was understood that Gandhi's policy was to substitute co-operation for non-co-operation, and he had said he would strain every nerve to make the provisions of the settlement permanent.

The result of the conversations had been received with universal approval in India and had resulted in a marked improvement in trade.

Government Plans.

Mr. Wedgwood Benn then said that the Government had carefully considered a proposal to send a Parliamentary delegation to India forthwith to reconstitute the Round Table Conference, with the addition of representatives of the Congress Party.

The advantages of this plan, however, were outweighed by important practical considerations, including the expediency of the Parliamentary situation in Britain, and the necessity for much preliminary work in India by Indians.

Immediately the Indian delegates, including the representatives of the Congress Party, were prepared to resume the discussions, the Government proposed to invite them to come to London to resume the work of the Federal Relations Committee.

They hoped that the whole problem would be ready for final discussion early in the Autumn.

Meanwhile an expert investigation of the particular problems raised at the Round Table Conference would be undertaken.

Mr. Winston Churchill refused to take the hint in the concluding portion of Mr. Baldwin's speech.

More Mischief-Making.

He declared on rising that the developments in the past six weeks might be the subject of congratulation among those agreed upon the establishment of an all-Indian Federation with responsible Government at the centre as the precursor of full Dominion Status, but less enthusiasm was pardonable in those who thought that these processes were premature and dangerous and likely to lead to confusion and disaster.

Nevertheless, he said, the fact that Conservatives would not be represented in any Round Table Conference in India made amends for much.

Moreover, the chances of an agreement that would unite all sections in India and be ratified by the British Parliament were remote and slight, while the probabilities of a breakdown were enormous.

Premier Winds Up.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, winding-up the debate, said that an invitation had already gone to the Viceroy to endeavour to assist in an early meeting in London of the Federal Structure Committee, and there were hopes that Mr. Gandhi would be present at such a gathering.

The Round Table Conference, he added, had been very useful in laying down the preliminary conditions of the Federal Structure. The work was going on in India, and in Britain.

We are placing now, he said, a test upon the honour of Great Britain, and not only upon its honour, but upon the capacity of Great Britain to face a very difficult political situation. (Cheers.)

The Commons agreed to the vote on account of India.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

Baldwin's Greatest Speech.

Later.
Members of all parties agree that Mr. Baldwin's spirited speech was the outstanding feature of the India debate and one of the most notable in his political career.

It is expected to have an important effect in India in removing the misunderstandings which were caused by the India Committee's bald, if not mischievous, announcement.

Mr. Baldwin's re-assertion of the responsible Conservative objective in regard to Indian constitutional changes is welcomed by all sections of the Press, except the Rotherham and Doncaster organs.—*Reuter.*

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You consider, then, that this gentleman made a bad bargain, and the lady, at the time she advanced this money on mortgage, also made a bad bargain, as it was more than the value of the property?—It does not alter my opinion in the slightest.

At this point, his Lordship remarked that there may have been reasons for the advancement.

Mr. Caer Clark said he would consider an investment in that property at six and a half per cent. as a very fair investment. I put it to you that you could not get eight per cent. in this Colony at the moment?—No.

Witness Doubtful.

Nor could you do so at the beginning of last year?—I cannot say off-hand.

Could you expect fairly to get it?—I would not care to say.

You are doubtful?—Yes.

In answer to his Lordship, witness said that a few months ago he carried out a valuation in Bagham Strand, the figure arrived at being \$39,000.

You have given us a certain price as the site value. Is that valuation merely the market valuation, or is it the valuation with reference to a return?—It is a valuation with reference to a return, because the market value may be anything.

And you consider that eight per cent. is a reasonable return?—Yes.

Col. Bird's Figures.

Evidence was then given by Lieut. Col. L. G. Bird, of Messrs. Palmer and Turner. He stated that he made a valuation of the property in question on April 1, 1930, and valued it at \$30,000. He took the value of the land at \$30 per square foot, and the value of the building at \$3,500.

Mr. Jenkins.—Mr. Caer Clark has given it as his opinion that the land is worth \$45 per square foot?—I consider that to be too high, much too high.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sheldon, witness said he had heard the questions put to Mr. MacKichan, and they did not alter his (witness's) opinion at all.

The taking of evidence was concluded and the case was adjourned until either Monday afternoon or Tuesday morning for argument, his Lordship intimating that it would be necessary to take the case of the Filipino charged with murder on board the Empress of Russia at the Criminal Sessions before the case could be continued.

SUN YAT-SEN DEATH ANNIVERSARY.

HUGE ATTENDANCES AT THE MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Nanking, Mar. 12.

Thousands of Kuomintang officials and soldiers assembled at the Mausoleum of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen this morning to attend the commemorative meeting on the anniversary of the death of the Kuomintang founder.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and Messrs. Shau Yuan-chung, Vice-President of the Legislative Yuan, and Yu Yu-jen, Chairman of the Censorate Yuan, were among those who spoke to the gathering. The speeches were followed by a commemorative service at the Central Kuomintang, at which Marshal Chiang presided.

Peking messages state that an impressive ceremony in connexion with the commemoration of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen took place at Tin An Mun, with a record attendance of 20,000 Kuomintang citizens and officials of the Government. Mr. Chang Chi presided. The Legation Quarters flew their flags at half-mast.

FREE BOTTLES OF WHISKY.

SEE "TELEGRAPH" PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT.

In to-morrow's Telegraph Pictorial Supplement, interesting photos taken at last week's Race Meeting will be published in conjunction with a clever advertisement for Dewar's famous whisky. A number of residents have been distinguished by small white frames superimposed on the photographs, and to all such, Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., on behalf of Messrs. Dewar's, are presenting a bottle of whisky.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory reports that a weak anticyclone is central over the Eastern Sea. Moderate to light monsoon along the S. E. coast of China and over the North China Sea.

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